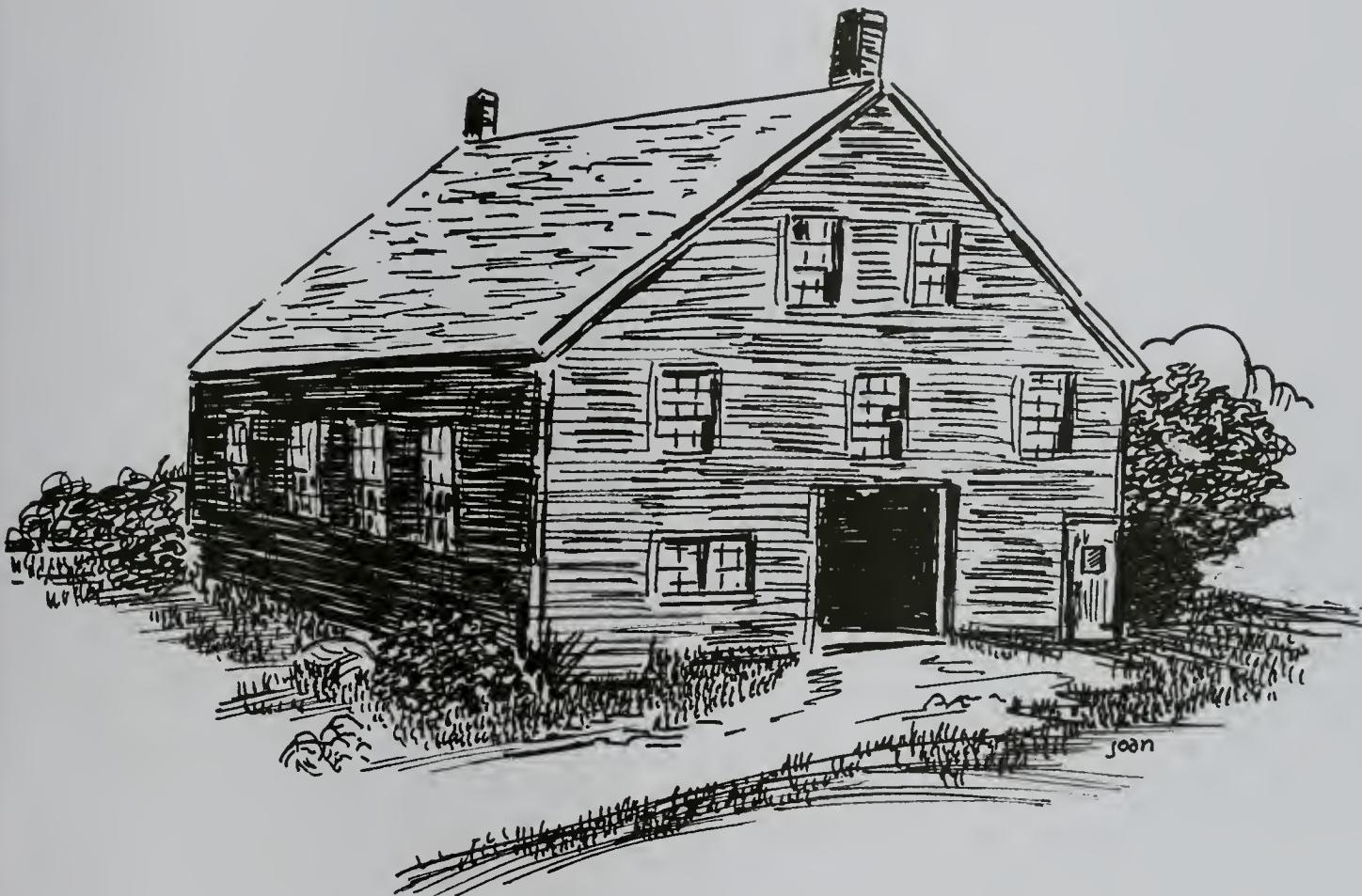


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TOWN REPORT 1987

Dedicated To
GLADYS E. HOWE



The Board of Selectmen, on behalf of a truly grateful Town of Alton and its residents, dedicates this 1987 Annual Town Report to a person who exemplifies to a superlative degree the term: **SELFLESS COMMUNITY SERVANT**.

Gladys E. Howe retires this month as Alton Town Treasurer after nineteen years of superb service. And this on top of an earlier 25 years as Secretary of the Alton-Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce, twenty-six years "manning" the Chamber's information booth in Alton Bay, twelve years as an Alton School Board member and fifteen years as Gilman Home Trustee and Treasurer.

She epitomizes the term: **CONCERNED CITIZEN**. Young in spirit, she's a caring lady and an uncommon lady whose love of people has been contagious. The quality of life in Alton has been markedly enriched by her outgoing presence and her quality service. A grateful Town of Alton proudly salutes the gracious **GLADYS E. HOWE!**

Written by,
Bob Calvert

ANNUAL REPORT OF TOWN OFFICERS

Population	3,622
Net Tax Valuation, 1987	\$109,435,533
Tax Rate 1987	\$27.97/1,000

GOVERNOR

John J. Sununu

STATE SENATOR

George E. Freese

STATE REPRESENTATIVES

Matthew J. Locke

Milton G. Jensen

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TOWN OFFICERS**SELECTMEN**

Russell Jones Term Expires 1989
Patricia C. Merrill Term Expires 1990
William L. Moore, Chairman Term Expires 1988

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Terese Clifford

INTERIM TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Pamela L. Andrade

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Pamela L. Andrade

MODERATOR

Marion L. MacDonald Term Expires 1988

TOWN CLERK

Gwendolyn M. Jones Term Expires 1988

TREASURER

Gladys E. Howe Term Expires 1988

TAX COLLECTOR

Valerie A. Fogg Resigned 12-31-87

INTERIM TAX COLLECTOR

Gwendolyn M. Jones Term Expires 1988

CHIEF OF POLICE

Thomas J. Mynczywor

BUILDING INSPECTOR/HEALTH OFFICER

Stephen W. Dana

INTERIM BUILDING INSPECTORS/HEALTH OFFICERS

Robert Reinholtz
Michael Stanley

WELFARE OFFICER

A. William Heidke Term Expires 1988

LIBRARIAN

Patricia Merrill

LANDFILL SUPERVISOR

Richard Bassett

HIGHWAY AGENT

George W. Thoroughgood Resigned 1987
Richard Bassett - Interim Road Agent

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUND

Joseph R. Houle, Chairman	Term Expires 1989
Harold A. Copeland	Term Expires 1990
Albert V. Fisher III	Term Expires 1988

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

David Countway	Term Expires 1989
Shirley Copeland	Term Expires 1990
Ella Marie Carr, Chairman	Term Expires 1988

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

David Birdsey	Term Expires 1988
Rodger Matthewman	Term Expires 1991
Paul Todd	Term Expires 1992
Bradford Shapleigh	Term Expires 1989
Sylvia Leggett	Term Expires 1990
Betsy E. Kretschmer, Alternate	

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Cynthia Watkins	Term Expires 1988
Harold Finethy	Term Expires 1989
Roger Clark	Term Expires 1990
Helen Sullivan	Term Expires 1989
Harold Clough	Term Expires 1990
Kim Kroeger	Term Expires 1989
Charles R. Noyes	Term Expires 1988
James Newton, Chairman	Term Expires 1988
Robert Calvert	Term Expires 1988
Terri Noyes, School Board Member	Russell E. Jones, Selectman Member

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Linda Mazalewski	Term Expires 1988
Ted Conner	Term Expires 1989
Patricia Merrill, resigned	Term Expires 1989
Arthur J. Dyck	Term Expires 1990
Thomas Hoopes, Chairman	Term Expires 1990
Edna Twombly	Term Expires 1988
Michael Burke	Term Expires 1988

GILMAN MUSEUM COMMITTEE

Mildred Lane	Term Expires 1990
Anna Haase	Term Expires 1990
Eleanor Hayes	Term Expires 1988
Charles Shields	Term Expires 1989

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Michael Stanley	Term Expires 1989
Robert Tilton	Term Expires 1990
John E. Streeter, Chairman	Term Expires 1988

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Alice S. Ziegra, Chairman	Term Expires 1992
Jean P. Roberts	Term Expires 1988
Cynthia A. Duffek	Term Expires 1990

PARKS & PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE

Jonathan Downing, Chairman	Term Expires 1988
Herbert Persan	Term Expires 1989
Barbara Francis	Term Expires 1990
James Belisle	Term Expires 1990
Nancy Johnston	Term Expires 1989

PLANNING BOARD

Nancy Mayville	Term Expires 1988
Michael MacDonald	Term Expires 1990
Thomas Varney	Term Expires 1990
Michael Burke	Term Expires 1988
Gregory Lindland	Term Expires 1988
Patricia C. Merrill, Selectmen Rep.	

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Russell E. Jones

FIRE WARDS

Robert Reinholtz	Term Expires 1989
Harold A. Clough	Term Expires 1990
Russell E. Jones	Term Expires 1988

DEPUTY FOREST & FIRE WARDENS

Seldon Alden, permits	Robert A. Reinholtz
Norman Barrett	Robert Witham
Henry J. Nowe	
Irving R. Roberts, permits	Harold A. Clough - Special Deputy

ALTON BAY IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Leo J. Meehan, Jr., Chairman	Scott Williams	Arlene Fiore	Lee Joyal
Carlton Chamberlain	Donald Gedney	Cathy Mars	Herbert Persan
Tom Hoopes	Lucille Wright	Frank Walker	

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Brenda Bowman	Term Expires 1988
Harold Copeland	Term Expires 1990
Thomas Hoopes	Term Expires 1988

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

Juliet E. E. Peverley Term Expires 1990
 Thomas E. Fry, Alternate Tom Varney, Alternate

MUNICIPAL BUILDING STUDY COMMITTEE

A. William Heidke, Chairman George L. Shaw
 Thomas J. Myncywor Salvator Parrino

OLD PHOTOGRAPH COMMITTEE

Gwendolyn M. Jones, Co-Chairman June Tanguay
 Jean Roberts, Co-Chairman A. Marguerite Chamberlain
 Sylvia Countway Eleanor Hayes
 Nancy Johnston Phyllis Draper
 Edna Twombly Thomas Chase
 Lula Thoroughgood Warren Bodwell

LANDFILL COMMITTEE

Robert Calvert Theodore Cole Stephen W. Dana

WAGE & SALARY REVIEW BOARD

Eldon C. Swim, Chairman Patricia C. Merrill, Selectmen's Rep.
 Dwight T. Dobin Leo J. Meehan, Jr.
 George Stevens Kenneth B. Gilbert

REPRESENTATIVE TO GENERAL COURT

Matthew J. Locke (1983-88)
 Milton G. Jensen (1985-88)

JUSTICE OF MUNICIPAL COURT

David O. Huot

SEWER COMMISSION

Stephen Dana Term Expires 1988
 Edward F. Consentino Term Expires 1988
 Lee Joyal Term Expires 1988
 Milton G. Jensen Term Expires 1988
 William Watson, Jr. Term Expires 1988

BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION OF THE U.S. CONSTITUTION

Jean Roberts Patricia Merrill
 Nancy Johnston Gerard O'Rourke, Jr.
 Marilyn Dame Gwendolyn M. Jones

Milton Jensen

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Thomas W. Varney, Chairman	J. Leo Meehan	Joseph Bristol	James Newton
Robert Calvert	Irving Roberts	Theodore Cole	Ralph Hutchinson
John Duffek	Richard Headley	Greg Lindland	Nancy Mayville
Terry Noyes, School Board Rep.	Patricia Merrill, Selectmen Rep.		Alden Norman

TOWN OF ALTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

TOWN HALL OFFICES

Selectmen's Office	875-2161
HOURS: Monday thru Friday — 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	
Tax Collector	875-2171
HOURS: Monday thru Friday — 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	
Town Clerk	875-2101
HOURS: Monday thru Friday — 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	
Building Inspector/Health Officer	875-2161
HOURS: Wednesday 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Tuesday thru Friday — 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. By Appointment.	
Planning Board	875-5095
HOURS: Monday thru Firday 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Clerk is available during these hours. Monday and Tuesday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The Planner is available during these hours.	
Welfare Officer	875-2171
HOURS: By appointment only.	

LANDFILL

HOURS:	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday Saturday Sunday, Wednesday, Holidays	8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. CLOSED
HOLIDAYS:	New Year's Day Washington's Birthday Fast Day Memorial Day Independence Day	Labor Day Veteran's Day Thanksgiving Day Day after Thanksgiving Christmas Day

LIBRARY

TELEPHONE:	875-2550	
HOURS:	Monday & Wednesday Friday Saturday	2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

GILMAN MUSEUM

HOURS:	July thru Labor Day	
	Wednesday & Saturday	2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
	1st Sunday of Month	2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Fire Department .....	.....875-3333
Police Department.....	.....875-3752
Ambulance .....	.....875-3752

MEETINGS

Board of Selectmen	Every Monday Morning 8:00 a.m. - By Appointment
Planning Board.....	1st Monday of each month 7:00 p.m. - By Appointment
Board of Adjustment	2nd Thursday of every month By Appointment
Gilman Library Trustees	3rd Monday of every month 3:30 p.m.
Conservation Commission	Mondays (as needed)
Parks & Playgrounds Committee	On Call
Water Commissioners.....	4th Thursday of every month 7:30 p.m. - By Appointment

UNDER THE New Hampshire Open Meeting Law, all Board and Committee Meetings are open to the public and the public is cordially invited and urged to attend.

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS

The Town of Alton has a number of property tax exemptions available to qualified residents. Throughout this report are summaries of the exemptions available, the qualifications for each exemption, and the amount applied to either the assessment or property tax amount:

Veteran's Exemption - 1) has to be a resident of the State for at least one (1) year previous to April 1st of the year in which the exemption is applied for. 2) has to have served not less than ninety (90) days in the armed forces of the United States in a war of conflict as outlined in RSA 72:28. The exemption in the amount of \$50.00 is applied to the amount of taxes paid. An exemption of \$700.00 is also available to the Veteran if he/she is 100% permanently disabled as a result of a service connected injury. A copy of the DD214, or discharge paper is required when applying for this exemption.

**MARCH 10, 1987 ALTON CENTRAL FIRE STATION
COUNTY OF BELKNAP, ALTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, the meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by the Moderator, Marion L. MacDonald. Article 1 of the Warrant was read. The ballot boxes were opened for inspection before locking. Absentee ballots would be counted at 1:30 p.m. Forest Tilton moved that the entire warrant not be read at this time, seconded by Gwendolyn M. Jones. The Moderator announced that a protest petition had been filed prior to the meeting on Amendment #1 and that a $\frac{1}{2}$ vote would be needed for it to pass. The petition was posted at the polls with the original petition for the question. The polls were opened at 9:05 a.m. The polls were closed at 6:30 p.m.

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Alton, on the 10th day of March 1987 at the Alton Central Fire Station at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, the following votes of the Inhabitants present and qualified to vote in open meeting and those residents who had legally qualified to vote by Absentee Ballot, given with the Moderator and said Moderator in said meeting in the presence of the Town Clerk and other election officers, counted and sorted said votes cast, with the name of every person voted for and the number of votes for each person.

There were a total of 674 votes cast at the polls and 102 absentee ballots were received. The total names on the checklist was 2,239. Total votes cast 776. Signed and sealed in the presence of the Selectmen with the total vote cast announced by the Moderator. Ballots sealed at 10:30 p.m.

Moderator: Marion L. MacDonald

Assistant Moderator: Eileen Brown

Town Clerk: Gwendolyn M. Jones

Assistant Town Clerk: Phyllis Draper

Tally Clerks: Jeanne Cray, Eileen Woodland, Helen Sullivan and Elaine MacDonald

Ballot Clerks: Catherine Mars, Rae Jean Dobson, Barbara Fortier and Eileen Brown

SELECTMAN FOR THREE YEARS:

John T. Conboy	264	
Patricia C. Merrill	478	Patricia Merrill declared elected.

SELECTMAN FOR TWO YEARS:

Russell E. Jones	698	Russell E. Jones declared elected.
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TAX COLLECTOR FOR ONE YEAR:

Valerie A. Fogg	665	Valerie A. Fogg declared elected.
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TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS FOR THREE YEARS:

Harold A. Copeland	667	Harold A. Copeland declared elected.
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CEMETERY TRUSTEE FOR THREE YEARS:

Harold A. Copeland	650	Harold A. Copeland declared elected.
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CEMETERY TRUSTEE FOR TWO YEARS:

Brenda J. Bowman	604	Brenda J. Bowman declared elected.
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LIBRARY TRUSTEE FOR THREE YEARS:

Shirley G. Copeland	661	Shirley G. Copeland declared elected.
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AUDITOR FOR TWO YEARS - all write-in votes:

Helen Sullivan	10	Helen Sullivan declared elected.
Shirley Young	7	
Mildred Edwards	6	

WATER COMMISSIONER FOR ONE YEAR:

Robert L. Tilton	633	Robert L. Tilton declared elected.
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FIRE WARD FOR THREE YEARS:

Harold A. Clough	661	Harold A. Clough declared elected.
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PLANNING BOARD FOR THREE YEARS (elect two):

Mike MacDonald	280	Mike MacDonald declared elected.
Thomas W. Varney	577	Thomas W. Varney declared elected.

PLANNING BOARD FOR ONE YEAR (elect one):

Gregory Lindland	507	Gregory Lindland declared elected.
Donald R. MacDonald	198	

BUDGET COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS (elect three):

Harold A. Clough	602	Harold A. Clough declared elected.
Roger Clark (write-in)	125	Roger Clark declared elected.

BUDGET COMMITTEE FOR TWO YEARS:

Kim J. Kroeger	600	Kim J. Kroeger declared elected.
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BUDGET COMMITTEE FOR ONE YEAR:

Roger O. Clark, Jr.	279	
Darlene E. Schmidt	391	Darlene E. Schmidt declared elected.

BALLOT QUESTIONS, ZONING PETITION AND AMENDMENT**ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT BY PETITION:**

"To see if the voters will approve an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance which would require larger lot sizes than those presently required by the Zoning Ordinance where soil conditions such as wetlands and steep slopes make it necessary."

Not recommended by the Planning Board. YES - 366 NO - 354 ($\frac{2}{3}$ needed 518.) This amendment failed the $\frac{2}{3}$ vote required, declared by the Moderator.

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend the Alton Zoning Ordinance by renumbering and reorganizing the Ordinance in accordance with proposed Alton code.

(This amendment does not change the existing Zoning Ordinance except by renumbering and reorganizing the Ordinance for inclusion in the proposed classification of all Rules and Ordinances of the town.)

Recommended by the Planning Board. YES - 509 NO - 174. This amendment passed as declared by the Moderator.

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

**MARCH 11, 1987 ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL GYMNASIUM
COUNTY OF BELKNAP, ALTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the voters met at the Alton School Gymnasium on March 11th to act on the balance of the warrant for the 1987 Annual Town Meeting. Before the call to order Moderator Marion L. MacDonald recognized Alice Ziegra, chairman of the Supervisors of the Checklist. Mrs. Ziegra stressed the importance of correct signatures on petitions for warrant articles. Names must be listed as they are on the checklist to be verified on the petitions. Mrs. MacDonald then read the conditions under which the meeting would be run. Jonathan Downing led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a prayer given by Rev. Dwight Meader of the Alton Community Church.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by the Moderator, Marion L. MacDonald. A motion was made by Robert Sederquist not to read the entire warrant at this time but as each article is voted upon. Motion seconded by Forest Tilton and so voted.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$180,000.00 for the construction of a municipal building for the police department to include purchasing equipment and/or furnishings in connection therewith; and to further authorize the Selectmen to issue bonds or notes in the amount of \$180,000.00 as provided for in the Municipal Finance Act. By secret ballot, $\frac{2}{3}$ vote required for passage.

Police Chief, Thomas Mynczywor moved the article be accepted as read, motion seconded by Selectman, Jonathan Downing. After a short discussion period the polls were opened at 7:45 p.m. The voting proceeded for one hour, polls closed at 8:45 p.m. A total of 280 votes were cast. $\frac{2}{3}$ vote required - 186. The Moderator announced that the article was approved by a vote of YES - 211 NO - 69.

\$180,000.00

ARTICLE 3. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay all necessary charges of the Town for the ensuing year.

Selectman William Moore moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$1,326,478.00 subject to supplemental appropriations in the highway maintenance and landfill items necessary to provide funding for cost items arising out of ongoing collective bargaining negotiations, such supplemental appropriations to be voted on a reconvening of town meeting to be called at the appropriate time and for that purpose only, to pay all necessary charges of the town for the ensuing year. The motion was seconded by Jonathan Downing. Town Attorney Jerome Grossman was given permission to answer a question relating to any delay in setting the tax rate because of this. The article was voted upon by show of hands and approved as declared by the Moderator.

	<u>\$1,326,478.00</u>
	<u>Final Action Sept. 16, 1987</u>
	<u>\$1,340,932.00</u>

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following items for the purpose indicated:

1. Alton-Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce	\$1,550.64
2. Lakes Region Association	\$1,352.87
3. Community Action Program	\$2,979.00
4. Visiting Nurse Association of Wolfeboro and Vicinity	\$5,950.00
5. Lakes Region Community Health.....	\$3,800.00

\$15,633.00

Selectman Russell Jones moved the article be accepted as read, seconded by William Moore. The article was voted affirmatively.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,066.00 for the support of the Lakes Region Planning Commission.

Robert Calvert moved the article, seconded by Forest Tilton. The article was approved without discussion, as declared by the Moderator.

\$4,066.00

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 for the Old Photograph Committee, seed money, to be reimbursed from sale of old photo books.

William Moore moved the article be accepted as read, motion seconded by David Johnston. The article was voted affirmative, as declared by the Moderator.

\$4,000.00

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,648.00 to provide professional services and evaluation of proposed developments for the Planning Board.

The motion was made by Stephen Barsanti to approve the article as read, seconded by Stephen Dana. An amendment was made by Pauline Tilton and seconded by Forest Tilton, adding, "further, it is recommended that the Planning Board fees to the developer shall be adjusted to pay for these services". Following discussion on the article and the amendment a standing vote was taken on the amendment which did not carry, YES - 72 votes and NO - 101 votes. A vote on the article as originally proposed was approved as declared by the Moderator, show of hands vote.

\$14,648.00

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following items for the purpose shown. (By petition).

1. Decoration of Soldier's Graves	\$ 500.00
2. Patriotic exercises on Independence and Memorial Days	\$3,000.00
3. Old Home Week	\$3,000.00

The motion was made by John Conboy to approve the article as read and seconded by Forest Tilton. It was approved by show of hands vote, declared by the Moderator.

\$6,500.00

ARTICLE 9. Are you in favor of adopting the state law to provide a pension for firemen, and provide a minimum of five hundred dollars (500.00) annually to retirees. (By petition).

A motion was made by Charles Adams, Jr. to approve the article as read, seconded by Norman Barrett. There was considerable discussion on this article. It was approved by a show of hands vote and declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing and erecting a Vietnam Memorial Monument, to be erected by the American Legion on land owned by them as Monument Square. (By petition).

Kim Kroeger moved the article as read, seconded by John Conboy. The article was approved as declared by the Moderator.

\$3,000.00

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to support activities designed to commemorate the Bi-Centennial Celebration of the U.S. Constitution. (By petition). Not recommended by the Budget Committee.

The article was moved by Nancy Johnston, seconded by Jean Roberts. Mrs. Johnston explained the purpose of the article and the suggestions of the committee for an appropriate commemoration. There were several comments in support of the article. It was approved as declared by the Moderator.

\$2,000.00

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for a special fireworks presentation on September 6, 1987 to celebrate the Bi-Centennial of the U.S. Constitution. (By petition). Not recommended by the Budget Committee.

The article was moved by Nancy Johnston and seconded by David Johnston. Permission was given to have two students from the high school explain the reason it was proposed. Laura Farrell and Mark St. George addressed the meeting. After some discussion the vote was taken by standing count and approved, YES - 117 NO - 50.

\$3,000.00

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the maintenance of old graveyards in the Town of Alton. (By petition).

Thomas Hoopes moved the article be approved as read, motion seconded by Brenda Bowman. Mr. Hoopes explained the need for the funds for outlying cemeteries not covered by perpetual care. It was approved by a show of hands vote, declared by the Moderator.

\$1,000.00

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 as Alton's share of a regional household hazardous waste collection day. (By petition). Not recommended by Budget Committee.

Thomas Hoopes moved the article be approved as read, seconded by Michael Burke. In answer to a question he confirmed that the article has the approval of the Conservation Commission and the Health Officer. The importance of educating residents and the danger of allowing hazardous waste to be left at the landfill or disposed of otherwise in the town was stressed as the reason for the article. It was approved following a short discussion and declared affirmative by the Moderator.

\$1,200.00

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to correct the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established March 1981, Article 24, to read for the purpose of Highway Grader as provided for by RSA 35:1.

The motion to approve the article as read was made by Russell Jones and seconded by Jonathan Downing. The article was voted affirmatively.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums as indicated for payment to the Capital Reserve Fund.

1. Highway Grader Capital Reserve	\$15,000.00
2. Fire Truck Capital Reserve	\$15,000.00
3. Re-evaluation Capital Reserve	\$15,000.00

William Moore moved the article be approved as read, seconded by Jonathan Downing. The article was approved as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to withdraw from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for use as an offset against budgetary appropriations in the amount indicated, and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to make pro-rata reductions in the amount if estimated entitlements are reduced or take any other appropriate action hereon.

1. Computer Expense		\$ 8,500.00
a. Police Dept., (Computer System)		\$ 8,400.00
b. Town Officers		
2. Police Cruiser		\$13,000.00
3. Copier		\$ 3,500.00
4. Fireproof file cabinet/Assessor file		\$ 1,500.00
5. Stove (Alton Bay Comm. House)		\$ 600.00
		<u>\$35,500.00</u>

Russell Jones moved the article be approved as read, seconded by Jonathan Downing. The article was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to approve a land swap between the Town of Alton and the Claude R. Batchelder American Legion Post #72. Said proposal being that the Town convey a portion of Lot #72, on Map 29, to the American Legion Post in exchange for a deed from the American Legion to the Town of Lots #38, #39 and #40 as shown on Town Map #27.

Said conveyances are to be equal land swaps and to be on terms and conditions as are deemed by the Selectmen to be in the best interests of the Town and to include a 25-foot wide reservation to the Town for access and possible future utility easement. Said conveyances are to be subject to all necessary State and Town approvals. Further, the Selectmen are authorized and empowered to execute and receive such deeds and other documents as are necessary to effect the conveyances.

A motion to approve the article as read was made by Kim Kroeger and seconded by Selectman Jones. Mr. Kroeger amended his motion to read, "and to include a 66' wide reservation for the Town for access", in place of a 25' wide reservation in the original article, amendment seconded by Russell Jones. Maureen Kalfas moved to table the article, that motion seconded by Ruth Messier. The vote to table was left in doubt, so a standing count was taken YES - 74 NO - 76, motion to table defeated. There was much discussion on this article before the question was moved. The amendment was approved by show of hands but the article was defeated by standing count, YES - 53 NO - 42.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to create and establish a General Fund Trust for the purpose of Cemetery Maintenance as provided for in RSA 31:19-A and the interest is expendable.

William Moore moved the article be accepted as read, seconded by Joseph Houle. The article was voted in the affirmative, declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 19a. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a payment into the General Fund Trust Cemetery Maintenance from the surplus in the amount of \$11,000.00.

The motion was made by William Moore and seconded by Joseph Houle. Thomas Hoopes moved "Change: \$11,000.00 to read \$17,153.17, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a payment into the General Fund Trust Cemetery Maintenance from the surplus in the amount of \$17,153.17", motion seconded by Joseph Houle. The amendment was approved and the article, as amended, was approved also by show of hands vote and so declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 5-8 of the State Planning and Land Use Regulation, authorizing the Planning Board to prepare and amend a recommended Municipal Capital Improvement to aid the Board of Selectmen, Budget Committee and Town Departments and other Boards in the preparation and consideration of their annual budgets.

Russell Jones moved the article be approved as read, seconded by Jonathan Downing. The article was approved as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Town's Representatives to the General Court to take all the necessary measures to insure that no low and radioactive waste from Seabrook Nuclear Plant should be stored or disposed of within this Town of Alton, unless and until the proposed site of the proposed storage or disposal has been approved by the voters of the Town of Alton at Annual Town Meeting by written ballot.

Juliet Peverley pointed out an error in the printing of the article which was corrected to read, "no low-level radioactive waste" (instead of no low and radioactive waste). William Bunker amended the article, "I move that Article 21 be amended by deleting "from Seabrook Nuclear Plant", seconded by Scott Williams. Jean Roberts further amended the article, "to change wording to no radioactive waste", seconded by William Bunker. The second amendment was passed by vote, the first amended was also passed by voting on that next and the article as amended, "To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Town's Representatives to the General Court to take all the necessary measures to insure that no radioactive waste be stored or disposed of within this Town of Alton, unless and until the proposed site of the proposed storage or disposal has been approved by the voters of the Town at Annual Town Meeting by written ballot.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will grant the authority to accept the CPA audit completed by Mason & Rich as the official Town Audit.

William Moore moved the article be accepted as read, seconded by Jonathan Downing, and voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to establish the Old Home Week Committee a Permanent Committee of the Town. Five Members to be appointed by the Selectmen.

John Conboy moved the article be accepted as read, seconded by Kim Kroeger and voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$24,726.00 for the operation of the Gilman Library.

William Moore moved the article be accepted as read, seconded by Jonathan Downing and approved as declared by the Moderator.

\$24,726.00

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend money from the state, federal, and any other government unit or a private source which becomes available during the course of the year in accordance with the procedures set forth in RSA 31:95b.

A motion was made by William Moore and seconded by Jonathan Downing to approve the article as read. Voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow monies in anticipation of collection of taxes.

The motion was made by Jonathan Downing and seconded by Russell Jones to approve the article as read. The article was approved as declared by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 27. To hear reports of agents, auditors, committees of officers hereinbefore mentioned chosen to pass any vote relative thereto.

Russell Jones moved the reports as printed in the Annual Town Report be accepted, seconded by William Moore and voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 28. To conduct any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

William Moore stated that he would like to have the contribution of the Downing family over many years be noted and appreciated and he particularly wanted to thank Jonathan Downing for serving in the office of Selectman this past year. A motion to recess the meeting was then made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Downing as follows, "to recess the meeting until such time as negotiations are completed through collective bargaining affecting the highway and landfill items necessary to provide funding for cost items arising therefrom. The meeting will be called and reconvened at the appropriate time and for that purpose only".

The vote to recess the meeting was approved at 11:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwendolyn M. Jones
Town Clerk, Justice of the Peace

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

**ALTON TOWN WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
RECONVENED ALTON TOWN MEETING**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Alton, in the County of Belknap in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Reconvened Alton Town Meeting at said Alton Central School Gymnasium on Wednesday, the sixteenth day of September, next at seven-thirty o'clock in the evening for the sole purpose of acting on the supplemental Highway Department and Landfill Department budget due to Union Contract negotiations as follows:

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,340,932.00 to pay all necessary charges of the Town for the ensuing year. The amount to be changed from \$1,326,478.00 as previously voted at Town Meeting on March 11, 1987, due to the result of collective bargaining negotiations in the Highway Department and Landfill Department.

Given under our hand and seal this eighth day of September 1987.

WILLIAM L. MOORE, CHAIRMAN
RUSSELL E. JONES
PATRICIA C. MERRILL
Selectmen,
Alton, New Hampshire

A true copy of Warrant - Attested:

WILLIAM L. MOORE, CHAIRMAN
RUSSELL E. JONES
PATRICIA C. MERRILL

Personally appeared before me this eighth day of September 1987, the above named William L. Moore, Russell E. Jones and Patricia C. Merrill and took oath to the foregoing.

Pamela L. Andrade
Justice of the Peace

RECONVENED MEETING, SEPTEMBER 16, 1987

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant of reconvening of the Annual Town Meeting the meeting was called to order at the Alton Central School Gymnasium, 7:30 p.m. by Moderator Marion L. MacDonald with the reading of the warrant followed by the reading of Article 3.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,340,932.00 to pay all necessary charges of the Town for the ensuing year. The amount to be changed from \$1,326,478.00 as previously voted at Town Meeting on March 11, 1987 due to the result of collective bargaining negotiations in the Highway and Landfill Department.

Selectman Russell E. Jones moved the article be accepted as read, motion seconded by William Moore. The Moderator opened the article for discussion. The changes were explained as follows:

Highway payroll	\$ 6,844.
Landfill payroll	\$ 2,072.
Highway FICA	\$ 236.
Landfill FICA	\$ 130.
Disability Ins. for both	\$ 172.
Highway Overtime	\$ 5,000.
TOTAL	\$14,454.

The call to vote approved the article by a unanimous vote of those present and the Moderator declared a vote in the affirmative.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Selectman William Moore, seconded by Thomas Hoopes. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

Gwendolyn M. Jones
Town Clerk

**1988 TOWN WARRANT
ALTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Alton, in the County of Belknap, in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Alton Central Fire Station in said Town on Tuesday, the eighth day of March, 1988, at seven o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following articles: (Polls will close at six in the afternoon.)

ARTICLE 1.a. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year and to elect one Selectmen for three years, one Town Clerk for three years, one Tax Collector for three years, one Treasurer for three years, one Trustee of Trust Funds for three years, one Library Trustee for three years, one Fire Ward for three years, one Highway Agent for three years, one Cemetery Trustee for three years, one Water Commissioner for three years, one Budget Committee Member for one year, one Budget Committee Member for two years, three Budget Committee Members for three years, two Planning Board Members for three years, two Planning Board Members for one year, one Moderator for two years, one Supervisor of the Checklist for six years.

b. ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT RELATING TO FLOODPLAINS

To see if the Town will vote to agree to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program by adopting the Floodplain Development Ordinance as required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and repeal the previous National Flood Insurance Program adopted in 1975.

Recommended by the Planning Board

YES NO

And you are hereby further notified to meet at Alton Memorial School Gymnasium Wednesday, the ninth day of March, 1988, at seven o'clock in the evening to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 2. Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 80:58-86 for a real estate tax lien procedure? These statutes provide that tax sales to private individuals for non-payment of property taxes on real estate are replaced with a real estate tax lien procedure under which only a municipality or county where the property is located or the state may acquire a tax lien against land and buildings for unpaid taxes. (Ballot vote required.)

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000.00 for the construction and necessary equipment for a recycling storage facility to prolong the life of the Landfill.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to adopt an ordinance establishing a compulsory recycling program at the Town Landfill for the purposes of prolonging the life of the Landfill and producing income to help offset operating costs of the Landfill.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to establish the position of a Town Planner, and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,440.00 to fund the position.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,600.00 to update the 1985 Master Plan and the Zoning Ordinances.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,359.00 for the support of the Lakes Region Planning Commission.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following items for the purpose indicated:

1. Alton-Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce	\$ 1,551.00
2. Lakes Region Association	1,353.00
3. Community Action Program	3,128.00
4. Visiting Nurse Association of Wolfeboro and Vicinity	13,100.00
5. Lakes Region Community Health	<u>3,200.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$22,332.00</u>

- ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$33,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing the following Highway Equipment.
1. York Rake
 2. Brush Cutter
 3. Used Tractor
 4. Used Ditcher
- ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a Lease Purchase Agreement for the purpose of leasing a Dresser Grader for the Highway Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,300.00 for that purpose.
- ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,524.00 for road construction according to the recommendations submitted by Normandeau Engineers, Inc. This appropriation will be offset in full by the Highway Block Grant.
- ARTICLE 12.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$148,500.00 for the purpose of revaluation, said sum to come from the following sources:
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| Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund | \$ 89,221.00 |
| Federal Revenue Sharing Funds | 59,279.00 |
| TOTAL | \$148,500.00 |
- ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$80,000.00 for the purposes of renovating the Town Hall to install an elevator or handicap lift, said sum to come from the following sources:
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| Building Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund | \$ 38,076.00 |
| Federal Revenue Sharing Funds | 29,238.00 |
| Taxation | 12,686.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ 80,000.00 |
- ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to withdraw from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for use as an offset against budgetary appropriations in the amount indicated, and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to make pro-rata reductions in the amount if estimated entitlements are reduced or take any other appropriate action thereon:
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|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Cruiser | \$ 14,000.00 |
| 2. Voting Machine | 7,050.00 |
| 3. Elevator/Handicap Lift..... | 29,238.00 |
| 4. Revaluation | 59,279.00 |
| TOTAL | \$109,567.00 |
- ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,331.00 for the operation of the Gilman Library.
- ARTICLE 16.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,028.00 as Alton's share of the regional household hazardous waste collection day. Said sum is based on 70¢ per person on 2,897 population. (By Petition).
- ARTICLE 17.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following items for the purpose shown. (By Petition).
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| 1. Decoration of Soldiers Graves | \$ 500.00 |
| 2. Patriotic Exercises on Independence Day and Memorial Day | 3,000.00 |
| 3. Old Home Week | 3,000.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ 6,500.00 |

- ARTICLE 18.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, said sum will represent the bottom line of the posted budget and is inclusive of all special articles addressed.
- ARTICLE 19.** To see if the Town of Alton will vote as follows: Emergency Police Assistance Ordinance. The Town of Alton, N.H. hereby accepts the provisions of RSA 106-C. The Chief of Police of the Alton Police Department is hereby authorized to act pursuant to the provisions of RSA 106-C, as inserted by the law of 1967 (Ref. 431:1), as now enacted and as may be amended.
- ARTICLE 20.** To see if the Town will vote to return to the original owner the unused portion of land located on Route 11-D and Woodlands Road, known as Tax Map 58, Lot 12. Said parcel of land consists of approximately .11 acres and was donated to the Town at the 1978 Town Meeting, Article 41. (Recommended by Conservation Commission and Planning Board).
- ARTICLE 21.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to request and contract for an audit of the Town by an independent public accounting firm, and further, to delete the positions of Town Auditors.
- ARTICLE 22.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to lease or otherwise permit Ernest Gillan, or any other abutter, rights in the Town owned land on either side of Route 11 in Alton Bay, for use for private septic systems or for any other private use. (By Petition).
- ARTICLE 23.** To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to accept private donations of land, interest in land or money to be deposited into the Conservation Fund for the purposes of contributing to the local matching portion required for acquiring conservation land or interest in land and other costs associated therewith for permanent conservation use under the N.H. Land Conservation Investment Program (LCIP) RSA 221-A, and authorize the Selectmen to apply for and accept the state matching funds under the LCIP for the purposes of acquisition of the fee or lesser interest in conservation land. Said appropriated or donated funds and state matching funds may be expended by majority vote of the Conservation Commission. (By Petition).
- ARTICLE 24.** To hear reports of agendas, auditors, committees of officers herein before mentioned chosen to pass any vote thereto.
- ARTICLE 25.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow monies in anticipation of the collection of taxes.
- ARTICLE 26.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend money from the state, federal and any other government unit or a private source, which become available during the course of the year and does not require the expenditure of other town funds in accordance with the procedures set forth in RSA 31:95b.
- ARTICLE 27.** To conduct any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands this twelfth day of February 1988.

WILLIAM L. MOORE
RUSSELL E. JONES
PATRICIA C. MERRILL
Selectmen, Town of Alton

A true copy of warrant — Attest.

WILLIAM L. MOORE
RUSSELL E. JONES
PATRICIA C. MERRILL
Selectmen, Town of Alton

Personally appeared before me this twelfth day of February 1988, the above named William L. Moore, Russell E. Jones, and Patricia C. Merrill and took oath to the foregoing.

Pamela L. Andrade
Notary Public

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants named to meet at the time and place hereinbefore mentioned by posting an attested copy of the foregoing warrant at the place of meeting hereinbefore mentioned, and like attested copies at the Post Office in Alton and Alton Bay, two public places in said Town on the 12th day of February, 1988 and the Town Hall and West Alton Fire Station.

WILLIAM E. MOORE
RUSSELL E. JONES
PATRICIA C. MERRILL
Selectmen, Town of Alton

Blind Exemption - has to be determined legally blind by the services department of the vocational rehabilitation division of the education department. An exemption to the value of \$15,000 is applied to the assessment of the residential property as defined in RSA 72:29.

TOWN BUDGET

Purposes of Appropriation	Appropriations Forward From Previous Years	Actual Appropriations 1987 (1987-88)	Actual Expenditures 1987 (1987-88)	Selectmen's Budget 1988 (1988-89)		Budget Committee Recommended 1988 (1988-89)	Not Recommended
				1988	(1988-89)		
GENERAL GOVERNMENT							
Town Officers' Salary	\$ 600.00	\$ 76,645.00	\$ 77,300.00	\$ 83,772.00	\$ 81,669.00	\$ 2,103.00	
Town Officers' Expenses		178,944.00	176,901.00	165,976.00	165,736.00	240.00	
Election and Registration Expenses (Article 14)		3,305.00	2,125.00	13,460.00	12,460.00		1,000.00
Cemeteries		23,885.00	21,206.00	29,200.00	29,200.00		
General Government Buildings		54,349.00	53,514.00	62,983.00	60,083.00		2,900.00
Reappraisal of Property (Article 12)				148,500.00	148,500.00		
Planning and Zoning (Articles 5, 6 & 7)		37,039.00	31,169.00	55,389.00	54,889.00		500.00
Legal Expenses		12,000.00	9,643.00	17,500.00	17,500.00		
Advertising and Regional Association (Article 8)		1,353.00	1,353.00	1,353.00	1,353.00		
Contingency Fund - Chamber of Commerce (Article 8)		1,551.00	1,551.00	1,550.00	1,550.00		
PUBLIC SAFETY							
Police Department		232,779.00	229,832.00	239,302.00	229,962.00		9,340.00
Fire Department		61,154.00	60,762.00	62,650.00	62,650.00		
Civil Defense		100.00		100.00	100.00		
HIGHWAYS, STREETS & BRIDGES							
Town Maintenance			47,474.00				
General Highway Department Expenses		368,830.00	375,209.00	307,039.00	299,039.00		8,000.00
Street Lighting		31,129.00	21,720.00	31,129.00	31,129.00		4,129.00
Hydrants		3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00		3,600.00
Road Construction (Article 11) .				75,424.00	75,424.00		75,424.00
SANITATION							
Solid Waste Disposal		59,707.00	59,069.00	56,466.00	56,466.00		
Hazardous Waste Day - (Article 16)		1,200.00		2,028.00	2,028.00		

Purposes of Appropriation	Appropriations Forward From Previous Years	Actual Appropriations 1987 (1987-88)	Expenditures 1987 (1987-88)	Selectmen's Budget 1988 (1988-89)	Budget Committee	
					Recommended 1988 (1988-89)	Not Recommended
HEALTH						
Health Department (Article 8) .						
Hospitals and Ambulances						
(Article 8)	\$ 5,950.00	\$ 5,950.00	\$ 13,100.00	\$ 13,100.00		
Animal Control	3,800.00	3,800.00	3,200.00	3,200.00		
Community Action (Article 8)	700.00	700.00	700.00	700.00		
	2,979.00	2,979.00	3,128.00	3,128.00		
WELFARE						
General Assistance	7,000.00	3,147.00	7,000.00	5,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	
Aid to the Disabled	1,000.00	409.00	1,500.00	1,500.00		
Center of Hope	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00		
CULTURE AND RECREATION						
Library	24,726.00	24,726.00	26,031.00	26,031.00		
Parks and Recreation	6,564.00	28,813.00	33,504.00	26,300.00		
Patriotic Purposes		11,500.00	11,500.00	6,500.00	6,500.00	
Conservation Commission		5,037.00	2,637.00	4,750.00	3,950.00	800.00
Stove		600.00	2,600.00			
Photo Comm.		4,000.00	4,000.00			
DEBT SERVICE						
Principal of Long-Term Bonds & Notes	19,364.00	15,365.00	27,667.00	27,667.00		
Interest Expense - Long-Term Bonds & Notes	8,867.00	819.00	15,402.00	15,402.00		
CAPITAL OUTLAY						
Police Cruiser (Article 14)	13,000.00	12,982.00	14,000.00	14,000.00		
Municipal Building	180,000.00	95,766.00				
1986 Fire Truck	128,000.00	126,396.00	80,000.00	80,000.00		
Elevator (Article 13)						
Grader & Misc. Highway Equipment (Articles 9 & 10)					48,300.00	48,300.00
Recycling Facility (Article 3)					45,000.00	45,000.00

Purposes of Appropriation	Appropriations Forward From Previous Years	Actual Appropriations 1987 (1987-88)	Expenditures 1987 (1987-88)	Selectmen's Budget 1988 (1988-89)	Budget Recommended 1988 (1988-89)	Budget Committee Not Recommended
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT						
Payments to Capital Reserve Funds:						
Highway Grader	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00				
Re-evaluation	15,000.00	15,000.00				
Fire Truck	15,000.00	15,000.00				
General Fund Trust	17,153.00	17,153.00				
MISCELLANEOUS						
Municipal Water Department	68,325.00	52,379.00	\$ 61,050.00	\$ 60,850.00	\$ 200.00	
Vietnam Memorial	3,000.00	3,000.00				
FLCA, Retirement & Pension Contributions	366.00	63,248.00		53,935.00		9,313.00
Insurance	62,108.00	66,887.00	136,728.00	135,497.00		1,231.00
Unemployment Compensation	1,500.00	1,111.00	1,500.00	1,500.00		
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$ 184,638.00	\$ 1,662,858.00	\$ 1,659,464.00	\$ 1,943,025.00	\$ 1,901,269.00	\$ 41,756.00

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimated Revenues 1987 (1987-88)	Actual Revenues 1987 (1987-88)	Selectmen's Budget 1988 (1988-89)	Estimated Revenues 1988 (1988-89)
TAXES				
Resident Taxes	\$ 21,510.00	\$ 20,310.00	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 21,000.00
Yield Taxes	16,029.00	15,408.00	16,000.00	16,000.00
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	21,136.00	24,153.00	24,000.00	24,000.00
Inventory Penalties	4,065.00	4,065.00	4,200.00	4,200.00
Land Use Change Tax	57,043.00	61,043.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
Boat Tax	19,719.00	19,861.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES - STATE				
Shared Revenue - Block Grant	24,707.00	71,154.00	71,000.00	71,000.00
Highway Block Grant	68,630.00	68,630.00	75,424.00	75,424.00
Reimb. a/c State-Federal Forest Land	103.00	.00	.00	.00
Other Reimbursements .....	.00	5,351.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Fighting Forest Fires	947.00	411.00	400.00	400.00
Gas Tax Refund	20.00	.00	.00	.00
Water Resources	103.00	.00	.00	.00
LICENSES AND PERMITS				
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	257,335.00	259,884.00	265,000.00	265,000.00
Dog Licenses	2,000.00	2,046.00	2,100.00	2,100.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	16,626.00	16,468.00	17,000.00	17,000.00
Municipal Agent Fees	6,755.00	6,551.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
Vital Statistics	550.00	619.00	600.00	600.00
CHARGE FOR SERVICES				
Income from Departments	7,021.00	18,204.00	18,000.00	18,000.00
Rent of Town Property	8,173.00	6,238.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
Planning Board .....	.00	14,183.00	14,000.00	14,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
Interests on Deposits	27,330.00	26,844.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
Sale of Town Property	2,550.00	2,550.00	.00	.00
Trustee of Trust Funds (Cemeteries) .....	.00	.00	24,000.00	24,000.00
Cable Franchise Fee		3,188.00	3,100.00	3,100.00
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Proceeds of Bonds and Long-Term Notes	180,000.00	180,000.00	.00	.00
Income from Water and Sewer Departments	68,325.00	52,379.00	61,525.00	61,525.00
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve		60,000.00	128,000.00	128,000.00
Revenue Sharing Fund	35,500.00	42,245.00	109,567.00	109,567.00
Fund Balance	256,000.00	256,000.00		
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	\$1,102,177.00	\$1,237,785.00	\$ 948,916.00	\$ 948,916.00

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall & Other Buildings	\$ 580,900.00
Land & Building	13,450.00
Landfill Equipment	62,000.00
Furniture & Equipment	50,000.00
Library, Land & Buildings	73,200.00
Books & Equipment	100,600.00
Harold Gilman Museum	67,000.00
Fire Department, Land & Buildings	107,950.00
Apparatus & Equipment	251,000.00
Highway Dept., Tractor House, Shed including Place Lot Building & Gravel Banks	66,100.00
Plows & Equipment	33,300.00
Trucks & Sander	116,650.00
Grader	50,000.00
Loader, Tractor & Bulldozer	126,000.00
Police Department - Cruisers & Equipment	52,298.00
Parks, Commons & Playgrounds	19,600.00
Alton Water Works - Land & Building	51,100.00
Equipment & Inventory	208,900.00
Schools, Lands & Building	1,312,650.00
Equipment	38,932.00
Other Properties:	
Bath House & Restrooms	31,650.00
William C. Levy Park	41,700.00
Public Swimming Wharf	3,250.00
Public Boat Docks	4,100.00
Public Beaches - Alton Bay	73,800.00
Public Beaches - West Alton	14,200.00
Band Stands	2,100.00
Railroad Property	18,250.00
Halfmoon Pond Frontage	13,750.00
Norman & Neda Walpole - Adj. Whalley Lot	9,200.00
Locke Dev. Corp. Land	500.00
John Sargent Land	1,450.00
Lionell St. Pierre Land	1,500.00
Lockwood Construction Co., Inc. - Land	2,250.00
Leigh H. Turner Land (Map 78, Lot 9)	5,350.00
Leigh H. Turner Land (Map 78, Lot 12)	5,050.00
Northern Land Traders (Map 12, Lot 73)	550.00
Northern Land Traders (Map 12, Lot 74)	550.00
Northern Land Traders (Map 12, Lot 75)	600.00
Northern Land Traders (Map 12, Lot 81)	1,600.00
Northern Land Traders (Map 12, Lot 77)	1,250.00
Philip Gaudette Land (Map 72, Lot 43)	1,600.00
Simon Fraser Land (Map 12, Lot 72)	1,050.00
TOTALS	\$ 3,616,930.00

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FISCAL YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1987

Liabilities Forwarded From 1986	1987 Appropriations	Receipts and Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures 1987	Balances	Overdraft	Liabilities Forwarded to 1988
							\$ 14,171.69
Town Officers	\$ 207,642.00	\$ 243.00	\$ 207,885.00	\$ 192,551.73	\$ 15,333.27		
Town Clerk's Budget	20,384.00		20,384.00	20,307.17	76.83		
Tax Collector's Budget	25,420.00		25,420.00	24,088.71	1,331.29		
Budget Committee	750.00		750.00	60.69	689.31		
Election and Registration	3,305.00		3,305.00	2,124.65	1,180.35		
Town Buildings	54,349.00		54,349.00	46,571.15	7,777.85		6,943.60
Police Department	224,279.00	2,055.77	226,334.77	209,938.05	16,396.72		11,394.56
Fire Department	61,154.00	411.50	61,565.50	57,762.36	3,803.14		
Insurance	61,936.00		61,936.00	66,886.56		\$ 4,950.56	
Conservation Commission	5,037.00		5,037.00	2,636.85	2,400.15		
Planning and Zoning	16,985.00	689.97	17,674.97	15,743.47	1,931.50		
Board of Adjustment	1,340.00		1,340.00	374.19	965.81		
Water Hydrants	3,600.00		3,600.00	3,600.00			
Landfill	59,875.00		59,875.00	52,809.02	7,065.98		
Highway Department	300,571.00		300,571.00	289,506.51	11,064.49		
Street Lighting	31,129.00		31,129.00	21,719.80	9,409.20		
Library	24,726.00		24,726.00	24,726.00			
General Assistance	7,900.00		7,000.00	3,147.34	3,852.66		
Soldier's Aid	1,500.00		1,500.00	409.03	1,090.97		
Parks and Playground	\$ 6,620.12	28,813.00	35,433.12	33,503.97	1,929.15		
Cemeteries		22,885.00	22,885.00	21,206.25	1,678.75		
Unemployment Compensation			1,500.00	1,500.00	1,111.23	388.77	
Humane Society			700.00	700.00	500.00	500.00	
Center of Hope			500.00				
Article 3 Block Grant 1987			68,629.00		38,228.31		30,400.69
Article 4 Alton-Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce			1,550.64				
Article 4 Lakes Region Association			1,352.87				
Article 4 Community Action Program			2,979.00				
Article 4 Visiting Nurse of Wolfeboro			5,950.00				
Article 4 Lakes Region Community Health Program			3,800.00				
Article 5 Lakes Region Planning Commission			4,066.00				
Article 6 Old Photo Committee			4,000.00				

Liabilities Forwarded From 1986	1987 Appropriations	Receipts and Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures		Overdraft	Balances Forwarded to 1988
				1987	Unexpended		
Article 7 Professional Service and Evaluation	\$ 14,648.00		\$ 14,648.00	\$ 10,986.00			\$ 3,662.00
Article 8 Decorations of Soldiers Graves	500.00		500.00		500.00		
Article 8 Memorial and Independence Days	3,000.00		3,000.00		3,000.00		
Article 8 Old Home Week	3,000.00		3,000.00		3,000.00		
Article 10 Vietnam Memorial	3,000.00		3,000.00		3,000.00		
Article 11 Bicentennial Celebration	2,000.00		2,000.00		2,000.00		
Article 12 Bicentennial Fireworks	3,000.00		3,000.00		3,000.00		
Article 13 Maintenance Old Grave Yards	1,000.00		1,000.00		1,000.00		
Article 14 Hazardous Waste Collection	1,200.00		1,200.00		1,200.00		
Article 16 Highway Grader Capital Reserve	15,000.00		15,000.00		15,000.00		
Article 16 Fire Truck Capital Reserve	15,000.00		15,000.00		15,000.00		
Article 16 Re-evaluation Capital Reserve	15,000.00		15,000.00		15,000.00		
Article 17 Computer - Police Office	8,500.00		8,500.00		8,500.00		
Article 17 Computer - Town Office	8,000.00		8,000.00		7,063.00		
Article 17 Police Cruiser	13,000.00		13,000.00		12,982.37		
Article 17 Copier	3,500.00		3,500.00		3,500.00		
Article 17 Fireproof Files	1,500.00		1,500.00		1,500.00		
Article 17 Stove (ABCH)	600.00		600.00		600.00		
Article 19 G.F Cemetery Trust		17,153.17			17,153.17		
Article 3 1986 Block Grant	\$ 21,124.43				21,124.43		
Article 4 1986 Fire Truck	68,000.00				68,000.00		
Article 12 1986 Alton Bay Improvement Study and Design							11,000.00
Article 12 Personnel Review	11,000.00						600.00
Article 3 1985 Block Grant	20,350.06						20,350.06
Article 11 Town Hall Repairs	5,000.00						5,000.00
Article 11 1985 Stove (ABCH)	2,000.00						2,000.00
Article 11 1985 Sidewalks	7,669.62						7,669.62
Article 14 1984 Sidewalks	15,855.08						15,855.08

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on Hand, January 1, 1987 \$ 964,607.81

Receipts

Valerie A. Fogg, Tax Collector

Tax Collections	3,200,236.91
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Gwendolyn M. Jones, Town Clerk

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$ 258,821.00
Dog Licenses	2,046.50
Titles	1,063.00
Municipal Agent	6,550.50
Miscellaneous Fees	2,522.50
Parking Fines	270.00
	271,273.50

State of New Hampshire

Revenue Sharing Distribution	35,576.92
Highway Block Grant	104,206.54
Court Room Rent	600.00
State Aid	1,811.00
Gasoline Tax Refund	543.15
Highway Safety Program	2,055.77
Forest Fire Refund	411.50
	145,204.88

Business Licenses and Permits

Pistol Permits	336.00
Building Permits	15,377.90
Well Permits	425.00
Sanitary Permits	535.00
Itinerant Hawkers License	65.00
Roadside Permits	12.00
Upgrade Permits	20.00
Driveway Permits	8.00
Revision of Planning	1.00
Plumbing Permits	5.00
Mobile Park Permit	6.00
	16,790.90

Rent

Clam Shell	1,600.00
Blue Jay	907.00
Shibley's	1,331.00
Community House - Alton Bay	1,620.00
Community House - West Alton	180.00
	5,638.00

Income from Departments

Police	
Accident-Fire-Theft Reports	1,250.00
Police Duty	1,079.54
Donation	400.00
Miscellaneous Reimbursement	4.50
	2,734.04

Alton Water Department

Equipment Rental	3,755.50
Miscellaneous Reimbursements	5,614.12
	9,369.62

Gilman Museum Maintenance Fund

Gilman Museum - Miscellaneous Expenses	\$	910.26
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Trustees of Trust Funds

Gilman Museum - Issue of 11/26/74	\$	1,666.67
Interest		292.50
		<u>1,959.17</u>

Trustees of Trust Funds

Band Concerts	1,500.00
Cemetery - Miscellaneous Expenses	<u>14,808.34</u>
	16,308.34

Trustees of Trust Funds

Capital Reserve Fund - Fire Truck - Voted 3/12/86	60,000.00
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Farmington National and Savings Bank

Revenue Sharing Program - Withdrawals	
Police Department - Computer System	8,500.00
Town Offices	7,063.00
Police Cruiser	12,982.37
Copier	3,500.00
Fire Proof Cabinet/Assessment File	1,500.00
Stove - Alton Bay Community House	2,600.00
1986 SA 12 Personnel Review	600.00
1985 SA 11 Sidewalks	<u>5,500.00</u>
	42,245.37

Interest - NOW Account

Working Fund - Withdrawals	24,508.83
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Miscellaneous Receipts and Refunds

Sale of Town Property	2,550.00
Federal Revenue Sharing Funds	883.00
Boat Taxes	19,860.50
Landfill Stickers	241.00
Sale of Regulations	809.25
Sale of Copier and Duplicates	400.50
Assessing Books	188.00
Telephone Reimbursement	134.74
Burial Permits	4,600.00
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	1,647.87
Sale of Town Histories	58.50
Sale of Checklists	50.00
Applications for Appeal	189.00
Copies of Blue Book	150.00
Board of Adjustment	140.00
Laconia District Court - Restitution	69.48
Landfill - Sale of Tires	734.80
Lakes Region Cablevision Franchise Fee	3,187.89
Professional Services - Reimbursement	226.60
Nashua 770 TD	43.00
Overpayment - Tax Sale	11.10
Overpayment - Lakes Region Planning Commission	30.00
Security Deposit	39.60
Video Tape	5.50
Roadside Installation	56.00

Stop Sign Replacement	\$ 29.15
Insurance - Repair to Cemetery Gate	1,900.00
Union Telephone Company - Easement Payment	2,000.00
Village Store Reimbursement	127.41
Alton Housing for the Elderly - Easement	200.00
Workers Compensation Reimbursement	690.02
Medicare Reimbursements	193.27
RICA Reimbursements	217.57
Filing Fee and Postage	14,895.69
Adjustment	379.29
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	\$ 363,726.36

Town Account

January 1, 1987 - December 31, 1987	
Balance - December 31, 1987	\$ 964,607.81
Receipts	<u>4,668,118.55</u>

Water Department

January 1, 1987 - December 31, 1987	
Balance - December 31, 1987	879.35
Receipts	<u>66,265.81</u>
Total Receipts	<u>67,145.16</u>

Selectmen's Orders Paid

Town Account	4,814,645.54
Water Department	<u>57,378.85</u>
	<u>4,872,024.39</u>

Farmington National and Savings Bank

December 31, 1987 - Balance - Working Fund	
Money Market Account	<hr/> 28,120.44

Balance - December 31, 1987

Farmington National and Savings Bank	
Town Account - Checking Account	818,080.82
Water Department - Checking Account	<u>9,766.31</u>
Town - Working Fund - Money Market Account	<u>28,120.44</u>
	<hr/> \$ 855,967.57

December 31, 1987 - On Deposit

Farmington National and Savings Bank	
Town Account - Revenue Sharing Program	
Money Market Account	
Balance - December 31, 1986	176,110.40
Receipts - U.S. Government	<u>883.00</u>
Interest	<u>11,987.54</u>
	<hr/> 188,980.94
Withdrawals	<hr/> 42,245.37
Balance - December 31, 1987	<hr/> 146,735.57

Farmington National and Savings Bank

Town Account - Sewerage Project - Savings Account	
Balance - December 31, 1986	8,914.42
Interest	<u>503.98</u>
Balance - December 31, 1987	<hr/> 9,418.40

Farmington National and Savings Bank		
Town Account - Sewerage Project - Repurchase Agreement		
Balance - December 31, 1986	\$ 171,452.13	
Interest	11,573.02	
Balance - December 31, 1987	<u>183,025.15</u>	
Farmington National and Savings Bank		
Town Account - Urban Planning Assistance - Savings Account		
Balance - December 31, 1986	297.16	
Interest	16.79	
Balance - December 31, 1987	<u>313.95</u>	
Farmington National and Savings Bank		
Town Account - Mount Major Community Center - Savings Account		
Balance - December 31, 1986	1,261.60	
Interest	71.33	
Balance - December 31, 1987	<u>1,332.93</u>	
Farmington National and Savings Bank		
Water Department - Money Market Account		
Balance - December 31, 1986	8,130.08	
Interest	171.51	
Withdrawals	<u>8,301.59</u>	
	<u>8,301.59</u>	
Farmington National and Savings Bank		
Town Account - Gilman Museum Maintenance Fund		
Balance - December 31, 1986 - NOW Checking Account.....	2,150.51	
Donations	33.50	
Interest	114.29	
Withdrawals	<u>2,298.30</u>	
	<u>1,113.01</u>	
Balance - December 31, 1987	<u>1,185.29</u>	
Farmington National and Savings Bank		
Town Account - Gilman Museum Maintenance Fund		
Certificate of Deposit		
Balance - December 31, 1986	10,344.36	
Interest	2,132.00	
Balance - December 31, 1987	<u>12,476.36</u>	
Farmington National and Savings Bank		
Town Account - Conservation Commission - Savings Account		
Balance - December 31, 1986	257.33	
Interest	14.54	
Balance - December 31, 1987	<u>271.87</u>	
First New Hampshire Banks		
Town Account - Conservation Commission - Certificate of Deposit		
Balance - December 31, 1986	19,662.34	
Interest	1,046.88	
Balance - December 31, 1987	<u>20,709.22</u>	
Farmington National and Savings Account		
Town Account - Escrow Savings Accounts		
Balance - December 31, 1986	3,434.85	
Interest	194.21	
Balance - December 31, 1987	<u>3,629.06</u>	

Farmington National and Savings Bank Town Account -Police Building -Money Market Account	
Deposit	\$ 180,000.00
Interest	6,060.31
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Withdrawals	186,060.31
Balance - December 31, 1987	93,526.78
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92,533.53	
Farmington National and Savings Bank Town Account - Old Photo Books - Savings Account	
Deposit	1,001.00
Withdrawals	82.33
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Balance - December 31, 1987	918.67
Farmington National and Savings Bank Town Account - Landfill Scrap Metal Removal Escrow Account Savings Account	
Deposit	2,800.00
Interest	21.59
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Balance - December 31, 1987	2,821.59
Farmington National and Savings Bank Town Account - Bicentennial Committee - Savings Account	
Deposit	2,000.00
Interest	52.90
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Withdrawals	2,052.90
Balance - December 31, 1987	263.64
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1,789.26	
Farmington National and Savings Bank Parks and Playground Development 2 - Savings Account	
Deposit	2,750.00
Interest	21.35
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Withdrawals	2,771.35
Balance - December 31, 1987	2,500.00
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271.35	
Farmington National and Savings Bank Town Account - Tax Collector Escrow Account	
Balance - December 31, 1986	1,143.31
Deposits	58,046.82
Interest	129.10
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Withdrawals	59,319.23
Balance - December 31, 1987	57,283.40
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2,035.83	
Farmington National and Savings Bank Town Account - Working Fund - Money Market Account	
Balance - December 31, 1986	120,161.02
Deposit	700,000.00
Interest	21,959.42
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Withdrawals	842,120.44
Balance - December 31, 1987	814,000.00
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28,120.44	

Respectfully Submitted,
Gladys E. Howe, Treasurer

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Current Year Taxes:

Property	\$ 2,773,007.69
Boat	19,860.50
Yield	11,675.75
Resident	19,399.00
Current Use Tax	61,043.00

Previous Years:

Property	290,714.30
Yield	3,731.99
Yield Tax Interest	222.99
Resident	909.00
Resident Tax Penalties	165.40
Interest	20,393.36
Tax Sales Redeemed	15,486.81
Interest Tax Sales Redeemed	3,371.62

From State	142,549.11
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Federal Revenue Sharing	883.00
Dog Licenses and Summons	2,046.50
Business Licenses, Permits, Filing Fees	20,776.40
Rent of Town Property	6,238.00
Interest on Deposits	24,508.83
Income from Trust Funds	18,267.51
Income from Depts. (see also Police-Private Duty & Planning Board)	8,385.29
Police Private Duty	1,079.54
Planning Board	15,620.29
Municipal Agent Fees	6,550.50
Registration of Motor Vehicles	258,821.00
Water Depts. (Misc. Expenditures Paid By Town)	5,614.12
Gilman Museum (Expenditures Paid By Town)	910.26
Reimbursables	10,172.86
Refunds	404.29
Insurance	1,900.00
Police's Safety Grant	2,055.77
Gift	400.00
Alton Housing for Elderly Tax Easement	200.00
Union Telephone Easement	2,000.00
Sale of Town Property	2,550.00
Town History	58.50
(MEMO) Withdrawal from Fire Truck Capital Reserve	60,000.00
(MEMO) Withdrawal from Revenue Sharing Fund	42,245.37
(MEMO) Withdrawal from Money Market	814,000.00
	\$ 4,668,118.55

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Town Officers	\$ 192,551.73
Town Clerk	20,307.17
Tax Collector	24,088.71
Budget Committee	60.69

Election and Registration	\$ 2,124.65
Town Buildings	46,571.15
Police	209,938.05
Fire	57,762.36
Insurance	67,997.79
Conservation Commission	2,636.85
Planning and Zoning	15,743.47
Board of Adjustment	374.19
Water Hydrants	3,600.00
Landfill	52,809.02
Highway Town Maintenance	289,506.51
Street Lighting	21,719.80
Library	24,726.00
General Assistance	3,147.34
Soldier's Aid	409.03
Parks and Playgrounds	33,503.97
Cemeteries	21,206.25
Alton-Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce	1,550.64
Lakes Region Association	1,352.87
Community Action	2,979.00
Visiting Nurse of Wolfeboro	5,950.00
Lakes Region Community Health	3,800.00
Lakes Region Planning Commission	4,066.00
Old Photo Committee	4,000.00
Professional Service and Evaluation	10,986.00
Decoration of Soldier's Graves	500.00
Humane Society	700.00
Center of Hope	500.00
Memorial and Independence Days	3,000.00
Old Home Week	3,000.00
Vietnam Memorial	3,000.00
Bicentennial Fireworks	3,000.00
Bicentennial Activities	2,000.00
Hazardous Waste Day	1,200.00
Highway Grader Capital Reserve	15,000.00
Fire Truck Capital Reserve	15,000.00
Re-evaluation Capital Reserve	15,000.00
Police Computer	8,500.00
Town Office Computer	7,063.00
Police Cruiser	12,982.37
Copier	3,500.00
Fireproof Files	1,500.00
Stove (Alton Bay Community House)	2,600.00
G.F.T. Cemetery Maintenance	17,153.17
Highway Block Grant (1985, 1986, 1987)	79,702.80
Fire Truck	66,396.00
Personnel Review	600.00
Sidewalk	5,500.00
Highway Entrance Signs	500.00
Interest, Long-Term Notes	819.01
Principal, Long-Term Notes	13,364.67
Alton Water Works	5,598.74
Gilman Museum Expense	910.26
County Tax	461,737.00

State	\$ 1,102.17
Current Use Lien Fee	12.00
Discounts/Abatements/Refunds	14,706.21
Taxes Bought By Town	4,185.85
(MEMO) Computer Gift	400.00
(MEMO) Cemetery Arch Repair	1,900.00
(MEMO) Fire Truck Capital Reserve	60,000.00
(MEMO) Federal Reserve Funds	883.00
(MEMO) Money Market Working Fund	700,000.00
School District	<u>2,156,328.00</u>
	\$ 4,815,313.49

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Selectmen
 Town of Alton
 P.O. Box 659
 Alton, New Hampshire 03809

In accordance with the engagement letter we have with you, the audit of the Town's 1987 financial statement is in progress.

It is anticipated that the complete audit report will be in your hands no later than April 30, 1988.

Sincerely,

Jon R. Lang
 Certified Public Accountant
 Mason & Rich Professional Association
 Accountants and Auditors

RENT OF TOWN PROPERTY REPORT JANUARY 1, 1987 - DECEMBER 31, 1987

CASH RECEIVED FOR RENTAL:

Alton Bay Community House	\$ 1,620.00
Mount Major Community House	180.00
Victoria Pier	0.00
Clam Shell	1,600.00
Blue Jay	907.00
Shibley's	1,331.00
Courtroom	600.00

THE ALTON SHOE FACTORY

The Alton Shoe Factory, which was located on the present site of the Gilman Museum on Factory Street, on the corner of Main Street and Rte. 140 as it is now called, was erected in 1883. Charles Mooney aided in the construction of the building which began to flourish very rapidly. A general store was opened on the street floor and in later years the other side became permanent headquarters for the Post Office. The shoe shop was first owned by George A. Colburn and D. Melvin Mooney. The factory was later sold to Alan Varney who operated it with Mooney. The business grew and tens of thousands of pairs of shoes were produced annually and residents of the Town were employed there.

Next to this building stood the Noxall Diner, for several years part of the system. It was taken down in later years, however.

In 1930, the familiarity of this picture changed considerably. The building and shop, two stories high had recently been purchased by John Curtin. Many men and women worked here.

On January 13, 1930, snow had just fallen, and a light layer lay on the ground, frozen with several previous frosts. Men were working as usual, some women were downtown shopping and getting their mail. Chester Littlefield was busily running the meat market in the building, while upstairs the machines hummed busily. Mrs. Ethel Morrell was hard at work in the store by the same name, next door to the factory, selling cosmetics, papers, patent medicines, and making out automobile registrations. Over at school, the students were hard at work at their books. Mr. Lester had just finished teaching a class, and Miss Thompson had just aired her daily complaint to her French class, not without justification, that the class didn't know the rudiments of English, and without that, how were they going to learn French?

At eleven o'clock the fire whistle blew and the cry ran up and down the streets of the town. The shoe shop was on fire! High school students were dismissed from classes to fight it. The shoe chemicals and leather made it burn more furiously and when the flames ran up the stairwell, the whole building was engulfed. In the ensuing three hours, the factory was burned to the ground and also took with it major parts of the adjacent Wheeler House and the Clough House across the street. So hot were the flames that the windows in the Legion Hall were broken and the paint seared in the Jones Store building across the street. When the toll was counted, there were two fatalities, Mrs. Oscar Davis and Mr. Frank Young.

It is not known to this day how the fire originated - some say a box of oily rags in the stairwell was the cause. Whatever the cause, the shoe factory was destroyed.

Excerpt from: The History of Alton, N.H.
by Barton McLain Griffin, 1965



Photos taken from the book, "**Alton, A Town to Remember**" which may be purchased from the Office of the Town Clerk.

1988 PROPOSED BUDGET AND 1987 COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

Department Account	1987 Budget	1987 Actual Expenditures	1988 Proposed Selectmen's Budget	1988 Budget Committee Recommendation	% Change
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TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Selectmen	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00	
Town Administrator	27,530.00	29,628.00	28,871.00	28,871.00	
Assistant Administrator	15,003.00	13,099.00	16,880.00	16,880.00	
Bldg. Insp./Health Officer	18,912.00	19,473.00	22,621.00	20,518.00	
Treasurer	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	
Auditors	300.00	.00	.00	.00	
Trustees	3,400.00	3,600.00	3,400.00	3,400.00	
Welfare Officer	500.00	500.00	750.00	750.00	
Dog Officer	500.00	500.00	750.00	750.00	
TOTAL	\$ 76,645.00	\$ 77,300.00	\$ 83,772.00	\$ 81,669.00	+6.0

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Health Insurance	8,694.00	6,940.00	14,775.00	14,775.00
Life/Disability Insurance	604.00	667.00	860.00	860.00
Selectmen's Staff	36,878.00	35,776.00	46,000.00	46,000.00
Office Supplies	4,000.00	3,731.00	.00	.00
FICA	8,577.00	7,854.00	9,700.00	9,700.00
Retirement/NY Life	1,560.00	955.00	1,440.00	1,200.00
Travel	600.00	591.00	600.00	600.00
Meetings/Conferences	1,000.00	1,077.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Dues/Fees	1,300.00	1,277.00	1,450.00	1,450.00
Legal Expense	12,000.00	9,643.00	17,500.00	17,500.00
Printing	4,300.00	4,123.00	4,800.00	4,800.00
Advertising	1,100.00	2,328.00	2,200.00	2,200.00
Postage	2,200.00	2,178.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Office Equip./Furn.	2,800.00	2,772.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Computer Supplies	2,500.00	2,378.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Copier Cont. Serv.	1,000.00	994.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Recruiting	600.00	2,070.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Professional Services	3,500.00	1,851.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Trustees Expense	175.00	20.00	.00	.00
Forester	3,675.00	1,741.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Commercial Audit	4,000.00	4,750.00	5,450.00	5,450.00
Tax Map Updating	894.00	894.00	950.00	950.00
Assessor Fees	19,800.00	13,549.00	3,750.00	3,750.00
Damage Liability	3,000.00	770.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Deeds/Records	100.00	148.00	.00	.00
Title Search	500.00	35.00	600.00	600.00
Tax Sale Expense	200.00	240.00	.00	.00
Appeals Cost	100.00	.00	100.00	100.00
Vehicle Expense	1,000.00	1,426.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Boat Expense	200.00	.00	200.00	200.00
General Expense	500.00	830.00	1,000.00	1,000.00

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Reference Materials	\$ 550.00	\$ 606.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00	
Computer Cont. Serv.....	2,900.00	2,827.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
Wel. Travel	150.00	168.00	.00	.00	
Wel. Telephone	40.00	45.00	.00	.00	
Phone/Poor Main.....	.00	.00	400.00	400.00	
Micro-Filming00	.00	300.00	300.00	
Overtime00	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Computer Support.....	.00	.00	800.00	800.00	
Encumbered00	14,172.00	.00	.00	
TOTAL	\$ 130,997.00	\$ 129,426.00	\$ 149,725.00	\$ 149,485.00	

ELECTIONS & REGISTRATIONS

Supervisors of Checklist	692.00	256.00	1,080.00	1,080.00	
Moderator	300.00	225.00	500.00	500.00	
FICA	163.00	88.00	326.00	326.00	
Election of Officials	1,300.00	564.00	3,000.00	2,000.00	
Printing/Postage	350.00	785.00	550.00	550.00	
Advertising	50.00	20.00	100.00	100.00	
Booth Expense	200.00	63.00	700.00	700.00	
Police	250.00	125.00	480.00	480.00	
TOTAL	\$ 3,305.00	\$ 2,126.00	\$ 6,736.00	\$ 5,736.00	+74.0

CEMETERIES

Custodian's Salary	12,400.00	12,400.00	19,000.00	19,000.00	
FICA	885.00	881.00	1,427.00	1,427.00	
Graves (Open/Close).....	500.00	966.00	800.00	800.00	
Equipment Rental	2,240.00	2,564.00	.00	.00	
Equipment Expense	650.00	681.00	750.00	750.00	
Sod	310.00	469.00	750.00	750.00	
Electricity	200.00	144.00	200.00	200.00	
Water	150.00	235.00	350.00	350.00	
Misc. Supplies/Repairs	650.00	717.00	750.00	750.00	
New Equipment	500.00	471.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Monument Maintenance ..	200.00	200.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Surveying	4,000.00	1,317.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Cem. Travel & Dues	100.00	42.00	100.00	100.00	
Record Keeping	100.00	120.00	500.00	500.00	
Cem. Maint. of Graveyard ..	1,000.00	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
TOTAL	\$ 23,885.00	\$ 21,207.00	\$ 30,627.00	\$ 30,627.00	+28.0

TOWN HALL & OTHER BUILDINGS

Health Insurance	\$ 2,463.00	\$ 2,463.00	\$ 1,150.00	\$ 1,150.00	
Life/Disability Insurance	121.00	126.00	143.00	143.00	
*TOTALS.....	\$ 2,584.00	\$ 2,589.00	\$ 1,293.00	\$ 1,293.00	-49.0

TOWN HALL

Trash Removal	\$.00	\$.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Town Custodian.....	11,000.00	11,000.00	12,480.00	12,480.00

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Sub Custodian	\$ 378.00	\$.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	
FICA	850.00	732.00	1,033.00	1,033.00	
Retirement	260.00	70.00	240.00	240.00	
Travel	312.00	331.00	350.00	350.00	
Custodian Supplies	1,500.00	1,864.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
Telephone	5,876.00	5,960.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	
Town Hall Electricity	3,996.00	3,174.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	
Town Hall Fuel Oil	6,250.00	5,945.00	6,250.00	6,250.00	
Town Hall Water	140.00	302.00	140.00	140.00	
Town Hall Septic	100.00	.00	100.00	100.00	
Town Hall General Repairs ..	3,500.00	5,467.00	5,400.00	5,400.00	
*TOTAL	\$ 34,162.00	\$ 34,845.00	\$ 41,493.00	\$ 41,493.00	+ 21.0

ALTON BAY COMMUNITY HOUSE

Comm. Ctr. Electricity	\$ 858.00	\$ 561.00	\$ 858.00	\$ 858.00	
Comm. Ctr. Fuel Oil	2,000.00	580.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Comm. Ctr. Water	40.00	38.00	40.00	40.00	
Comm. Ctr. Septic	1,200.00	495.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	
Comm. Ctr. G. Repair/Main..	3,500.00	1,019.00	3,750.00	3,750.00	
*TOTAL	\$ 7,598.00	\$ 2,693.00	\$ 7,348.00	\$ 7,348.00	- 3.0

MT. MAJOR COMMUNITY CENTER

Caretaker	\$ 150.00	\$ 66.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	
Electricity	125.00	73.00	125.00	125.00	
Fuel Oil	500.00	73.00	500.00	500.00	
Gen. Repair/Main.....	800.00	44.00	800.00	800.00	
*TOTAL	\$ 1,575.00	\$ 256.00	\$ 1,625.00	\$ 1,625.00	+ 3.0

GILMAN LIBRARY

Gen. Repair/Main.....	\$ 600.00	\$ 611.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	
*TOTAL	\$ 600.00	\$ 611.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	- 16.0

TOWN GARAGE

Garage Septic	\$ 50.00	\$.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	
Garage G. Repair/Main.....	280.00	985.00	500.00	500.00	
*TOTAL	\$ 330.00	\$ 985.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 550.00	+ 66.0

RESTROOMS/BATH HOUSES

Custodian	\$ 1,250.00	\$.00	\$ 1,450.00	\$ 1,450.00	
Electricity/Oil.....	1,500.00	798.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Water	450.00	419.00	450.00	450.00	
Septic	100.00	.00	100.00	100.00	
G. Repair/Main.....	1,000.00	638.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
*TOTAL	\$ 4,300.00	\$ 1,855.00	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,500.00	+ 27.0

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FIRE STATIONS (ALL)					
Septic	\$ 50.00	\$.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	
G. Repair/Main.	600.00	1,138.00	750.00	750.00	
*TOTAL	\$ 650.00	\$ 1,138.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	+23.0
GENERAL MAINTENANCE					
Bandstand I	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,346.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 300.00	
Bandstand II	300.00	.00	1,500.00	300.00	
Person Rd. Comm. Ctr.	250.00	255.00	300.00	300.00	
*TOTAL	\$ 2,550.00	\$ 1,601.00	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 900.00	-64.0
POLICE BUILDING					
Electricity	\$.00	\$.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	
Fuel Oil . . . . .	.00	.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Water . . . . .	.00	.00	40.00	40.00	
Gen. Repair/Main. . . . .	.00	.00	300.00	300.00	
*TOTAL	\$.00	\$ 2,640.00	\$ 2,640.00	\$ 2,640.00	
Encumbrances		6,944.00			
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 54,349.00	\$ 53,515.00	\$ 65,549.00	\$ 62,649.00	+13.0
PLANNING BOARD					
Clerk Salary	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 7,508.00	\$ 8,580.00	\$ 8,580.00	
FICA	560.00	525.00	645.00	645.00	
Travel	200.00	.00	200.00	200.00	
Fees/Dues/Conference	350.00	14.00	350.00	350.00	
Supplies	750.00	880.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Printing	300.00	273.00	300.00	300.00	
Postage Reimbursable	500.00	630.00	500.00	500.00	
Ref. Material	75.00	77.00	150.00	150.00	
Legal Expenses	2,000.00	2,551.00	.00	.00	
Advertising	400.00	167.00	400.00	400.00	
Contract Eq./Main.	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	
Telephone	500.00	426.00	500.00	500.00	
Professional Expense	1,000	507.00	500.00	500.00	
Postage	50.00	89.00	200.00	200.00	
Capital Improvements	2,000.00	1,674.00	500.00	500.00	
TOTAL	\$ 16,985.00	\$ 15,744.00	\$ 14,325.00	\$ 14,325.00	-15.0
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT					
Clerical Support	\$ 400.00	\$ 168.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	
FICA	30.00	.00	30.00	30.00	
Office Supplies	10.00	.00	10.00	10.00	
Advertising	200.00	112.00	200.00	200.00	
Postage	200.00	95.00	200.00	200.00	
Legal Services	500.00	.00	500.00	.00	
TOTAL	\$ 1,340.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 1,340.00	\$ 840.00	-37.0

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TOWN CLERK					
Salary	\$ 13,900.00	\$ 13,954.00	\$ 16,076.00	\$ 16,076.00	
FICA	1,119.00	1,142.00	2,106.00	2,106.00	
Retirement/Life	260.00	300.00	260.00	260.00	
Travel	100.00	28.00	100.00	100.00	
Dues/Fees/Conferences	550.00	326.00	550.00	550.00	
Office Supplies	200.00	207.00	300.00	300.00	
Printing/Binding	200.00	196.00	200.00	200.00	
Postage	300.00	299.00	375.00	375.00	
Office Equip./Furn.	200.00	104.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Equip. Repair/Main.	150.00	112.00	200.00	200.00	
Ref. Material	225.00	265.00	275.00	275.00	
Dog Tags	225.00	167.00	225.00	225.00	
Office Help	1,755.00	2,019.00	11,960.00	11,960.00	
Micro-Film Reader	1,000.00	1,000.00	.00	.00	
Micro-Film	200.00	188.00	200.00	200.00	
Benefits (Health)* .....	.00	.00	2,954.00	2,954.00	
*@20%-office help					
*TOTAL	\$ 20,384.00	\$ 20,307.00	\$ 37,781.00	\$ 37,781.00	+85.0
TAX COLLECTOR					
Salary	\$ 13,104.00	\$ 13,173.00	\$ 14,581.00	\$ 14,581.00	
Deputy/Office Help	1,755.00	1,973.00	2,640.00	2,640.00	
FICA	1,069.00	1,083.00	1,293.00	1,293.00	
Health Ins. BC/BS	2,462.00	1,847.00	2,462.00	2,462.00	
Life/Disability Insurance	120.00	.00	143.00	143.00	
Retirement	260.00	23.00	260.00	260.00	
Travel	100.00	77.00	100.00	100.00	
Dues/Fees/Conferences	250.00	357.00	400.00	400.00	
Office Supplies	200.00	284.00	200.00	200.00	
Printing	700.00	330.00	400.00	400.00	
Postage	3,500.00	2,783.00	3,750.00	3,750.00	
Office Equip./Furn.	300.00	330.00	300.00	300.00	
Tax Sale/Redemption	1,000.00	1,018.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Computer Supplies	600.00	810.00	900.00	900.00	
TOTAL	\$ 25,420.00	\$ 24,088.00	\$ 28,429.00	\$ 28,429.00	+12.0
BUDGET COMMITTEE					
Clerical	\$ 450.00	\$.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	
Advertising	300.00	61.00	300.00	300.00	
TOTAL	\$ 750.00	\$ 61.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	-20.0
POLICE DEPARTMENT					
Salary - Chief	\$ 27,799.00	\$ 27,799.00	\$ 30,314.00	\$ 30,314.00	
Salaries - Patrolmen	89,091.00	84,025.00	115,233.00	106,793.00	

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FICA	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 882.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	
Health Insurance	11,171.00	10,974.00	16,315.00	15,084.00	
Life/Disability Insurance	732.00	764.00	1,145.00	1,145.00	
Retirement	20,000.00	10,051.00	22,250.00	13,000.00	
Fees/Dues/Travel	700.00	600.00	700.00	700.00	
Clerk	13,760.00	14,440.00	16,076.00	16,076.00	
Overtime	13,000.00	15,205.00	16,000.00	16,000.00	
Sub Clerk	1,664.00	1,715.00	6,248.00	6,248.00	
Holiday Pay	4,515.00	4,781.00	5,513.00	5,513.00	
Special Duty	8,429.00	10,507.00	11,000.00	11,000.00	
Private Duty	2,000.00	843.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Office Supplies	2,000.00	2,224.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	
Training & Ammo	3,500.00	2,633.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	
Copier	1,068.00	1,079.00	1,068.00	1,068.00	
Equipment Repair	700.00	660.00	500.00	500.00	
Intoximeter	250.00	12.00	250.00	250.00	
Uniform Allowance	2,000.00	2,342.00	2,300.00	2,300.00	
Telephone	6,500.00	6,343.00	9,600.00	9,600.00	
Vehicle Repair/Main.	2,500.00	2,531.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
Tires	1,200.00	981.00	1,500.00	1,300.00	
Gas/Oil	7,500.00	6,306.00	7,500.00	6,800.00	
Investigations	500.00	502.00	500.00	500.00	
Crime Prevention	300.00	232.00	500.00	500.00	
Traffic Control	800.00	744.00	400.00	400.00	
Medicare Liability	600.00	482.00	600.00	600.00	
Liab. Ins. Deduct.	1,000.00	280.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Encumbered .....	.00	10,443.00	.00	.00	
TOTAL	\$ 224,279.00	220,380.00	280,512.00	260,691.00	+ 16.0

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Firemen Expenses	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 22,488.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
Steward Expenses	1,275.00	1,250.00	1,300.00	1,300.00
Life/Disability Insurance	279.00	280.00	300.00	300.00
Dues/Fees	300.00	260.00	300.00	300.00
Office Supplies	100.00	264.00	300.00	300.00
General Supplies	1,000.00	1,123.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Training	500.00	550.00	750.00	750.00
Equip. Repair/Main.	5,500.00	11,379.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
New Fire Equip.	6,000.00	6,709.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Boat Expenses	500.00	134.00	600.00	600.00
Fire Expenses	1,000.00	1,106.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Fire Prevention	150.00	.00	200.00	200.00
Inspections/Alarms	1,950.00	836.00	500.00	500.00
Radio Repairs	1,200.00	1,163.00	1,400.00	1,400.00
Dock Rental	500.00	500.00	550.00	550.00
Telephone	3,400.00	3,135.00	3,400.00	3,400.00
Electricity	2,600.00	2,047.00	2,600.00	2,600.00
Heating Oil	3,900.00	3,670.00	3,900.00	3,900.00

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Gas/Oil	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 868.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	
Alarms00	.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Burner Inspection00	.00	250.00	250.00	
Fire00	.00	225.00	225.00	
Wood Stove00	.00	125.00	125.00	
Encumbered00	3,000.00	.00	.00	
TOTAL	\$ 61,154.00	\$ 60,762.00	\$ 62,950.00	\$ 62,950.00	+ 2.0

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Salary - Crew	\$ 101,193.00	\$ 94,547.00	\$ 123,074.00	\$ 123,074.00	
FICA	9,712.00	9,501.00	12,667.00	12,667.00	
Health Insurance	20,021.00	16,962.00	23,351.00	23,351.00	
Life/Disability Insurance	1,074.00	739.00	1,288.00	1,288.00	
Retirement	2,600.00	1,820.00	2,320.00	2,320.00	
Overtime/Crew	18,200.00	17,302.00	21,838.00	21,838.00	
Interim Road Agent	23,746.00	16,801.00	23,752.00	23,752.00	
Supplies - Cold Patch	4,000.00	4,900.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	
Supplies - Sand/Gravel	1,500.00	6,537.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Supplies - Salt	8,000.00	11,195.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	
Misc. Supplies/Repairs	5,400.00	6,089.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	
Sign Maintenance	400.00	1,410.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Shop Tools	2,500.00	1,607.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
Equipment Rental	25,000.00	29,935.00	25,000.00	20,000.00	
Radio Repairs	400.00	119.00	400.00	400.00	
Tires	3,900.00	4,249.00	4,600.00	4,600.00	
Gas/Oil/Diesel	18,000.00	11,481.00	18,000.00	15,000.00	
Culverts/Drains	1,500.00	7,824.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
Bridge Repairs	500.00	.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Tarvia	25,000.00	20,991.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	
Tree Removal	550.00	.00	550.00	550.00	
Telephone	825.00	662.00	825.00	825.00	
Electricity	1,800.00	1,285.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	
Heating Oil	3,000.00	.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Dust Control	1,000.00	746.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Safety Equipment	750.00	178.00	750.00	750.00	
Major Equipment	20,000.00	22,629.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	
Highway Confer . . . . .	.00	.00	100.00	100.00	
Travel . . . . .	.00	.00	100.00	100.00	
New Equipment . . . . .	.00	.00	750.00	750.00	
Sidewalk Snow Removal . . . . .	.00	.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	
TOTAL	\$ 300,571.00	\$ 289,509.00	\$ 346,665.00	\$ 338,665.00	+ 15.0

WELFARE

General Assistance	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 3,147.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	
Aid To Soldiers	1,500.00	409.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
TOTAL	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 3,556.00	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 6,500.00	- 25.0

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LANDFILL					
Salaries	\$ 31,235.00	\$ 28,678.00	\$ 33,566.00	\$ 33,566.00	
FICA	2,215.00	2,053.00	2,556.00	2,556.00	
Health Insurance	4,925.00	4,745.00	5,910.00	5,910.00	
Life/Disability Insurance	280.00	250.00	286.00	286.00	
Retirement	520.00	260.00	520.00	520.00	
Overtime . . . . .	.00	40.00	.00	.00	
Misc. Tools/Supplies	1,000.00	267.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Equip. Repair/Main.	5,000.00	4,108.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Tires	3,600.00	3,254.00	3,600.00	3,600.00	
Gas/Oil/Diesel	3,500.00	2,528.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	
Contract Services	2,000.00	725.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Telephone	520.00	401.00	520.00	520.00	
Electricity	1,000.00	728.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Safety Equipment	80.00	177.00	80.00	80.00	
Lagoon Expenses	500.00	579.00	600.00	600.00	
Metal Removal	2,500.00	2,950.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Oil Removal	1,000.00	1,066.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Con/Meet/Dues/Fees . . . . .	.00	.00	500.00	500.00	
Travel . . . . .	.00	.00	100.00	100.00	
Tire Removal . . . . .	.00	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Encumbered . . . . .	.00	6,260.00	.00	.00	
TOTAL	\$ 59,875.00	\$ 59,069.00	\$ 65,738.00	\$ 65,738.00	+8.0
LIBRARY					
Librarian - Salary	\$ 10,730.00	\$ 10,730.00	\$ 12,375.00	\$ 12,375.00	
Assistant Librarian	2,750.00	2,750.00	3,276.00	3,276.00	
FICA	951.00	983.13	1,200.00	1,200.00	
Health Insurance	975.00	941.40	1,100.00	1,100.00	
Substitute	270.00	270.00	330.00	330.00	
Telephone	660.00	611.71	660.00	600.00	
Electricity	600.00	543.64	600.00	550.00	
Oil	1,000.00	626.41	800.00	800.00	
Water	40.00	37.50	40.00	40.00	
Books/Magazines	5,000.00	5,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	
Supplies/Materials	600.00	562.11	600.00	550.00	
Professional Dev.	200.00	187.00	200.00	200.00	
Travel	200.00	249.80	200.00	200.00	
Equipment	450.00	371.30	450.00	400.00	
Public Relations	300.00	330.26	300.00	300.00	
AV Material . . . . .	.00	.00	200.00	200.00	
TOTAL	\$ 24,726.00	\$ 24,194.26	\$ 28,331.00	\$ 28,331.00	
PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS					
Salaries	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 7,947.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
Rec. Director	5,000.00	4,040.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	

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FICA	\$ 1,013.00	\$ 941.00	\$ 1,127.00	\$ 1,127.00	
Travel/Veh. Main.	500.00	492.00	500.00	500.00	
Supplies - General	700.00	414.00	700.00	700.00	
Instruction	1,200.00	898.00	2,200.00	2,200.00	
Contracted Services	2,500.00	2,500.00	.00	.00	
Concerts	1,500.00	1,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
Milfoil Control	1,000.00	1,000.00	.00	.00	
Rec. Area Develop. - 1	2,000.00	2,000.00	.00	.00	
Jones Land Deve. - 2	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Facility Main./Rep.	2,400.00	2,209.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	
Encumbered Milfoil .....	.00	1,000.00	.00	.00	
Encumbered Slopes .....	.00	2,085.00	.00	.00	
Encumbered Appraisal .....	.00	2,535.00	.00	.00	
Encumbered Signs .....	.00	944.00	.00	.00	
TOTAL	\$ 28,813.00	\$ 33,505.00	\$ 27,427.00	\$ 27,427.00	-.04

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Clerical	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 474.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,000.00	
FICA	107.00	.00	113.00	50.00	
Travel	500.00	261.00	400.00	400.00	
Fees/Dues	660.00	224.00	500.00	500.00	
Office Supplies	100.00	46.00	100.00	100.00	
Printing/Advertising	200.00	.00	200.00	200.00	
Postage	70.00	30.00	50.00	50.00	
Legal Support	300.00	127.00	300.00	.00	
Contract Support	500.00	350.00	500.00	500.00	
Lay Lake Monitoring	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Telephone	100.00	125.00	200.00	200.00	
TOTAL	\$ 5,037.00	\$ 2,637.00	\$ 4,863.00	\$ 4,000.00	-20.0

DEBT SERVICE

Interest Exp. Short Term	\$ 4,500.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	
Principal Long Term	19,364.00	13,365.00	27,667.00	27,667.00	
Interest Exp. Long Term	4,367.00	819.00	15,402.00	15,402.00	
Encumbered .....	.00	2,000.00	.00	.00	
TOTAL	\$ 28,231.00	\$ 16,184.00	\$ 43,069.00	\$ 43,069.00	+52.0

WATER DEPARTMENT

Commissioner's Salary	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,750.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	
Collections	800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00	
FICA	475.00	366.00	475.00	475.00	
Office Expense	500.00	702.00	500.00	500.00	
Line/Pump Repairs	10,000.00	17,486.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Telephone	100.00	64.00	100.00	100.00	
Electricity	10,000.00	9,209.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	

Department Account	1987 Budget	1987 Actual Expenditures	1988 Proposed Selectmen's Budget	1988 Budget Committee Recommendation	% Change
Oil	\$ 400.00	\$ 282.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	
Legal Expense	200.00	.00	200.00	.00	
Fees/Dues/Conf.	100.00	.00	100.00	100.00	
Contractors	5,000.00	5,458.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Insurance	700.00	759.00	700.00	700.00	
Interest - Long Term	3,550.00	3,547.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	
Principal - Long Term	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	
Equipment	4,000.00	3,435.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Clean Wells	15,000.00	.00	.00	.00	
Salary & Expenses .....	.00	.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	
Treatment	4,000.00	1,500.00	.00	.00	
Fence	4,500.00	.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	
Summer Line Main .....	.00	.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
General Main .....	.00	.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Water Meter Pro .....	.00	.00	3,750.00	3,750.00	
Inventory .....	.00	.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Refund .....	.00	21.00	.00	.00	
TOTAL	\$ 68,325.00	\$ 52,379.00	\$ 61,525.00	\$ 61,325.00	- 10.0

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE

Street Lighting.....	\$ 31,129.00	\$ 21,720.00	\$ 31,129.00	\$ 27,00.00	
Water Hydrants	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00	
Center of Hope	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	
Civil Defense	100.00	.00	100.00	100.00	
Humane Society	700.00	700.00	700.00	700.00	
TOTAL	\$ 36,029.00	\$ 26,520.00	\$ 36,029.00	\$ 31,900.00	- 6.0

INSURANCE

Prop./Liability Insurance ...	\$ 28,000.00	\$ 34,470.00	\$ 33,500.00	\$ 33,500.00	
Workers Comp.	33,936.00	32,417.00	34,000.00	34,000.00	
Unemployment Comp.	1,500.00	1,111.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
TOTAL	\$ 63,436.00	\$ 67,998.00	\$ 69,000.00	\$ 69,000.00	+ .09

GRAND TOTAL ALL

DEPARTMENTS	\$1,263,036.00	\$1,201,374.00	\$1,453,493.00	\$ 1,409,406.00	+ 11.0
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TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

A new year has begun, and the Town has seen a lot of changes during the past year. Each new year begins with renewed ideas and expectations. I hope as the new Town Administrator, we may accomplish and set new goals for the benefit of all who live here in Alton throughout the year and also for those who join us through the summer season. Having lived in Alton for a number of years, and working within the Town Hall for the past 4 years, I feel confident in saying that I share a large concern for the welfare and growth of this fine town. All of us who work in the Town Hall wish to provide professional management of the Town Administration and I feel sure that we can gain your confidence in knowing we take our jobs seriously, yet still want our residents to feel they have a place where they can acquire assistance or guidance in whatever they need.

Many thanks to all those who have given their guidance, expertise and more especially of their valuable time as volunteers on our Town Boards and Committees. Their contributions to the Town has certainly been "beyond the call of duty". We can certainly use more of them, in all phases of the town. We will welcome anyone, no matter your skills, as volunteers.

I would also at this time like to commend the staff at the Town Hall. Without their dedication, integrity, and professionalism my job would indeed be next to impossible.

I remain proud to be a part of the Town of Alton, and feel privileged and honored to have received the Selectmen's support in appointing me as Town Administrator.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pam Andrade
Town Administrator

ALTON CEMETERY TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

We are now entering the second year of operations under the cemetery trustees. We are hopeful of and planning for further improvements in maintenance, repairs, landscaping, and cooperation. It was a particularly busy year with 29 burials.

A new group called the Alton Graveyard Association was formed this year to help work on old graveyards. Some volunteers have started clearing and pruning in several graveyards. Any volunteers who are willing to work on or in remote graveyards can contact any of the trustees to get in touch with other volunteers.

The Alton Graveyard Association decided to spend part of the \$1,000 raised at Town Meeting on granite corner posts for 9 graveyards with no fences, walls, or other demarcation.

The primary reason for a budget increase this year is for salaries. Aside from old and new Riverside, there are 7 other perpetual care graveyards, several which have not received care for a long time. We have a legal obligation to keep these graveyards in a proper fashion.

Brenda Bowman
Harold Copeland
Thomas Hoopes

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

In 1987 143 applications to the N.H. Wetlands Board were reviewed:

New Docks	52
New Breakwater	1
New Dock and breakwater	18
New Boathouse	1
Dug in boat slip	2
New Seawall	3
Dock Repair	33
Breakwater Repair	11
Boathouse Repair	2
Beach	8
Dredge (in lake)	8
Crank up boat lift	1
Log Cluster (ice protection)	4
Pilings (for tie-up)	10
Remove rocks (navigational)	7
Seaplane ramp	1
Submarine telephone cable	1
Milfoil dredging	1
Gravel pit	2
Dredge and fill (on land)	10
1st time extensions (2 yrs)	9
Culverts (crossing water)	10

The following is a breakdown by region of applications:

Alton Bay	22
West Alton	21
East Alton	24
South Alton	9
Rattlesnake Island	22
Sleeper Island	4
Barndoors Island	9
Treasure Island	2
Halfmoon Pond	3
Sunset Pond	2
Hills Pond	1
Merrymeeting River	4

In 1987 the N.H. Wetlands Board has taken a firm stand with violators who have not gotten permits or who have exceeded their permits; substantial administrative fines have been imposed. In general, a State permit is necessary for any structure that breaks the surface of the lake or stream water, all dredge and fill in wetlands, and culvert crossings of running water.

Anyone having questions about permits or what they are entitled to can contact the Conservation Commission at 875-3400 or the N.H. Wetlands Board at 271-2147.

Submitted by,

Thomas C. Hoopes

REPORT OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY

The Gilman Library continued again to serve the town of Alton, providing books, magazines, audio and video cassettes, programs for children and adults, inter-library loan, and the Agnes Thompson Room. The book collection numbered 12,270, patrons 1,608, circulation figures reached 20,320 and 557 volumes were added to the collection.

The Agnes Thompson Room was used 84 times for meetings and programs, including two programs funded by the New Hampshire Council for the Humanities on different aspects of the Constitution; one funded by the Lyceum Fund on The Loon and The Water; and, a 4-part series on nutrition with Barbara Hunter. Also, for the first time, the Alton and Wolfeboro Libraries co-sponsored a 4-part series, "Poisoned Pens: Mystery Fiction", alternating between the two libraries.

The Agnes Thompson Room was also used for the children. During the school year, weekly story hours were held for the 3-5 year olds. The summer months witnessed an eight week Reading Program, "Find Your Fantasy". For the fourth straight year, Shibley's provided an ice cream cone for each child who reached the halfway mark of the reading contract. For those readers who completed their contracts, a trip to the Children's Museum in Portsmouth was the prize. This trip was sponsored by the Farmington National and Savings Bank, their fourth year also. Summer activities included a puppet show with Susan Ackley, "Backyard Beasties" with Dawn Newlin, and making "Wild Things" with Susan Lord. At the end of the season, the children presented their second "Annual Country Fair" with games, food, balloons and crafts, netting a profit of \$210.00 to purchase children's books. Both the trip to Portsmouth and the Fair were made possible with the superb cooperation from parents. Kudos, of course, are extended to Shibley's and the Farmington National and Savings Bank for their continued and gracious support.

Besides the regular addition of new books and magazines, 22 audio cassettes were given to the Library from Jeanette Collins. Many books and several magazines were purchased, courtesy of patrons, as well as a 13 volume Grzimek's Animal Life Encyclopedia, a gift from the Alton Lioness Club. The town benefits a great deal from these generous gifts.

The Friends of the Gilman Library continually offered their support by providing refreshments for programs, sponsoring the puppet show, giving two magazine subscriptions, and also helped with inventory, our first attempt with this task. The Friends sold their calendars as their money raising project, and proceeds will be used to purchase a computer. The Library is grateful for their support. New members are not only welcome, but are needed to ensure the ongoing life of the organization.

The librarians completed their fifth year, and all thoroughly enjoyed working in the Library and appreciated the support extended by patrons in many varied ways. I would like to thank Susan Lord, the assistant librarian, Sydney Merrill, volunteer, and Cindy Miller, story hour volunteer for all their wonderful help.

All of us look forward to seeing all of you in the Library and we will always be eager to help you.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia C. Merrill, Librarian

REPORT OF THE HAROLD S. GILMAN MUSEUM

The Gilman Museum was open for 22 days this summer from June 20th thru September 4th, in addition it was open on Memorial Day.

The Ossipee Historical Society and the fourth grade Alton students paid us a special visit and were impressed by our various displays.

We are indebted to Mr. Fred Costello, our Custodian, for the arrangement and placement of our displays; also to our twenty-five hostesses who give generously of their time to assist our visitors.

The financial status of the Museum will be found elsewhere in the Town Report.

We are also indebted to Mrs. Evie Moonie for her many years of dedicated service to the Museum and regret that ill health caused her to resign.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mrs. Eleanor Hayes, Chairman
Miss Anna Haase, Secretary
Mrs. Ella Marie Carr
Mr. Fred Costello, Custodian
Mr. Charles Shields

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Subj: Information for the 1987 Annual Town Report.

To: Office of the Selectmen.

The Board of Adjustment is established to provide for the satisfactory resolution of the unusual conditions and extenuating circumstances which arise due to the zoning ordinance. The Board, by law, shall consist of five members appointed by the Selectmen. A maximum of three alternates may also be appointed.

The Board of Adjustment has authority to act on appeals from administrative decisions, to approve special exceptions specifically allowed in the zoning ordinance and to grant variances in cases of unnecessary hardship.

The Board normally schedules its meetings for the second Thursday of the month.

During 1987 the Board met 9 times to consider appeals brought before it.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul A. Todd
Clerk

**THE SELECTMEN'S REPORT
SUMMARY OF INVENTORY VALUATION**

	1986	1987
Land	\$ 51,597,112	\$ 53,394,742
Buildings	50,387,525	53,532,635
Electric Plants:		
N.H. Electric	1,736,900	1,736,900
Public Service of N.H.	47,000	47,000
Manufactured Housing	1,200,725	1,576,025
TOTAL GROSS VALUATION	\$ 104,969,262	\$ 110,287,302
Less Total Exemption	772,072	851,769
NET VALUATION	<u>\$ 104,197,190</u>	<u>\$ 109,435,533</u>

STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT

	Principal Maturity Date	Annual Principal Due	Annual Interest Due
MUSEUM BUILDING - 1974			
\$25,000 @ 5.85%	November 26, 1988	1,666.67	195.00
	November 26, 1989	1,666.67	97.50
WATER - PEARSON RD. EXTENSION - 1982			
\$60,000 @ 10.75%	February 22, 1988	6,000.00	2,902.50
	February 22, 1989	6,000.00	2,257.50
	February 22, 1990	6,000.00	1,612.50
	February 22, 1991	6,000.00	967.50
	February 22, 1992	6,000.00	322.50
POLICE STATION - 1987			
5.4%	January 15, 1988		6,611.08
	July 15, 1988	20,000.00	5,693.75
	July 15, 1989	20,000.00	5,153.75
	July 15, 1990	20,000.00	4,593.75
	July 15, 1991	20,000.00	4,003.75
	July 15, 1992	20,000.00	3,393.75
	July 15, 1993	20,000.00	2,763.75
	July 15, 1994	15,000.00	2,103.75
	July 15, 1995	15,000.00	1,593.75
	July 15, 1996	15,000.00	1,072.50
	July 15, 1997	15,000.00	543.75

**TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS
TOWN OF ALTON, N.H.**

New Trust Funds Created in 1987:

	Capital Reserve	General Cemetery Trusts	Perpetual Care
Town of Alton		\$ 17,153.17	
School Dept., Town of Alton	\$ 35,304.00		
John C. and A. Marie Bemis		75.00	75.00
Harlan Card		75.00	75.00
William M. and Rosemarie Chatman		75.00	75.00
Victor and Jeanette Fletcher		150.00	150.00
Lawrence F. and Florence B. Hannabury		150.00	150.00
Kenneth N. and Patricia F. Hanscom		150.00	150.00
Russell E. and Gwendolyn Jones		225.00	225.00
Pauline T. Litch		450.00	450.00
Leo A. and Marion L. MacDonald		225.00	225.00
Timothy F. Reynolds		150.00	150.00
Robert D. and Inez E. Sederquist		150.00	150.00
Victor H. and Louise F. Vernal		100.00	
	<hr/> <hr/> \$ 35,304.00	<hr/> <hr/> \$ 19,028.17	<hr/> <hr/> \$ 1,975.00

VALUATION OF SECURITIES

Shares	Book Value	Market Value	1987 Interest
300 American Home Products	\$ 9,241.88	\$ 21,825.00	\$ 1,002.00
160 Amoco	6,400.00	11,040.00	528.00
725 A.T. & T.	43,857.37	19,575.00	870.00
528 Baxter Travenol	4,633.60	16,911.38	565.42
1619 Bell South		58,891.13	3,492.15
200 CBS	11,137.11	31,400.00	600.00
660 Campbell Soup	5,411.47	18,397.50	475.20
208 Chevron	7,851.16	8,242.00	499.20
3 Commonwealth Edison		82.50	9.00
787 Eastman Kodak	21,155.11	38,563.00	1,323.00
1160 Exxon	15,526.31	44,225.00	2,204.00
800 G.E.	13,257.88	35,300.00	1,032.00
300 IBM	19,740.76	34,650.00	1,320.00
2942.787 Investors Selective Fund	33,006.50	25,925.95	2,422.87
400 Eli Lilly	11,056.81	31,200.00	800.00
200 3M	5,766.23	12,875.00	372.00
400 J.P. Morgan	5,300.00	14,500.00	544.00
364 Southern N.E. Tel.	9,843.98	16,425.50	1,048.32
200 Timken	10,650.91	12,050.00	200.00
800 Unocal	10,036.43	22,600.00	800.00
22 Union Exploration Partners		319.00	36.83
500 Pinnacle West (AZP Group)	10,068.13	13,875.00	(Capital Ret) 1,390.00
	<hr/> <hr/> \$ 253,941.64	<hr/> <hr/> \$ 488,872.96	<hr/> <hr/> \$ 21,533.99
Total Capital Reserve Funds			\$ 252,377.15
Total Cemetery Funds			199,494.37
Total Miscellaneous Trusts			72,881.02
			372,961.51
			111,135.79
			105,593.74
			<hr/> <hr/> \$ 1,114,443.58
Total			

SUMMARY OF ASSETS, INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS: 1987

Checking Account, Farmington National & Savings Bank 12/31/86		\$ 32,876.98
Deposits, 1987		30,833.39
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	Checks Drawn	63,710.37
	Balance 12/31/87	26,962.77
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Detail of Deposits:		\$ 36,747.60
New General Cemetery Trust Funds Created		\$ 1,875.00
New Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds Created		1,975.00
Stock Dividends		21,497.16
"NOW" Interest		2,316.37
Certificate of Deposit Interest		3,000.00
Miscellaneous Income		35.00
Return of Capital		36.83
Interest on Maturing C/D		21.52
Stock Gains		76.51
	Total Deposits	\$ 30,833.39
Detail of Checks Drawn:		
Gilman Library Book Fund		\$ 1,000.00
Oliver J. M. Gilman Lyceum Fund, Band Concerts, 1987		1,500.00
Sharon P. Kunz, Bert Messer Scholarship		1,000.00
Darin M. Burke, Bert Messer Scholarship		1,000.00
Peter D. Countway, Bert Messer Scholarship		1,000.00
Christina L. Plante, Ralph M. Jardine Award		100.00
Gilman Library Lecture, Lyceum Fund		50.00
Constitutional Celebration, Lyceum Fund		250.00
PO Box Rent		7.00
Safe Deposit Box Rent		60.00
Old Home Week, Lyceum Fund		500.00
Gilman Museum Loan Principal & Interest Payment		1,959.17
Maintenance Expense, Cemeteries		16,552.70
Misc. Expense, Printing		108.90
Transfer to General Cemetery Trust Fund		<hr/> 1,875.00
	Total Checks Drawn	\$ 26,962.77
BANK BALANCES		
Farmington National & Savings Bank		\$ 420,987.51
Granite State National Bank, Rochester		70,495.69
New Hampshire Savings Bank, Concord		17,816.04
BankEast, Manchester		28,555.06
BankEast, Rochester		301,273.45
Wolfeboro National Bank, Alton		21,374.19
Book Value of Securities		<hr/> 253,941.64
	Total Assets	\$ 1,114,443.58

DETAIL OF CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

	Principal	Interest Earned '87	Interest to Date	Total
Reconstruction Fund, Buildings	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 1,453.32	\$ 18,076.00	\$ 38,076.00
Fire Truck Fund	15,000.00	3,708.10	21,518.52	36,518.52
Sewer Fund	84,000.00	954.29	134,844.57	218,844.57
Revaluation Fund	72,566.71	4,304.63	16,654.34	89,221.05
Highway Grader Fund	25,506.44	1,091.37	8,400.94	33,907.38
School Dept. Educational Fund	35,304.00			35,304.00
Total Capital Reserve Funds	<hr/> \$ 252,377.15	<hr/> \$ 11,511.71	<hr/> \$ 199,494.37	<hr/> \$ 451,871.52

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

The Office of the Building Inspector has endured a third consecutive year of substantial building expansion in Alton despite the unforeseen turmoil of personnel and administrative changes. The functions of this office continue to undergo operational adjustments designed to improve our effectiveness in providing for the general welfare of Town residents. Such administrative changes include the following:

The approval by Selectmen of a new fee schedule to require a set fee for Electrical, Plumbing and Driveway Permits is expected to generate the additional revenues to make this office more financially self-sufficient with less monetary burden placed on the taxpayer.

The reaffirmation of the BOCA National Building Codes, adopted by voters at Town election in 1983, will further insure building code compliance by builders, plumbers, electricians and homeowners in the construction or alteration of buildings and structures in Alton.

The new requirement for a Certificate of Occupancy issued upon final inspection of new residential dwellings and structures which service the general public furthers the immediate goals of Town officials to protect the public health, safety and welfare of its residents.

Construction Summary. Alton continues its growth trend with substantial increases in new housing starts, alterations to existing structures, and major renovation projects. A total of 340 Building Permits were issued in 1987, 105 of which were Building Permits for new residential dwellings. The estimated value of proposed construction exceeded thirteen million dollars, an increase of 80% over 1986. The following comparison depicts the continuing growth trend in Alton over the past three years.

	1985	1986	1987
Building Permits	317	338	340
Well Permits	41	74	85
Sanitary Permits	83	103	102
Totals	441	515	527
Construction Value	\$4,067,895	\$7,477,752	\$13,443,212
Fees Collected	\$ 8,083	\$ 11,770	\$ 16,404

Respectfully submitted,

Michael F. Stanley
Interim Building Inspector

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1987

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	Levies Of:		
	1987	1986	1985
Taxes Committed To Collector:			
Property Taxes	\$ 3,042,128.00	\$ 284,299.64	
Resident Taxes	19,770.00	1,750.00	\$ 10.00
Land Use Change Taxes	65,780.00	12,543.00	
Yield Taxes	13,744.74	5,392.83	
Added Taxes:			
Property Taxes	1,709.00	535.00	
Resident Taxes	2,840.00		
Miscellaneous Fees	116.00		
Overpayments:			
a/c Property Taxes	4,320.84	580.29	
a/c Resident Taxes		20.00	
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes			
Taxes	4,409.43	16,225.88	
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes			
	31.00	134.40	
TOTAL DEBITS	<u>\$ 3,154,849.01</u>	<u>\$ 321,481.04</u>	<u>\$ 10.00</u>

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Remittances To Treasurer During Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes	\$ 2,778,881.60	\$ 284,821.43	
Resident Taxes	19,399.00	909.00	
Yield Taxes	11,675.75	3,731.99	
Land Use Change Taxes	48,500.00	12,543.00	
Interest Collected During Year	4,409.43	16,225.88	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	31.00	134.40	
Miscellaneous Fees	116.00		
Abatements Made During Year:			
Property Taxes	15,317.37	593.50	
Resident Taxes	1,320.00	780.00	10.00
Yield Taxes		1,660.84	
Uncollected Taxes - End of Fiscal Year:			
(As Per Collector's List)			
Property Taxes	253,958.87		
Resident Taxes	1,891.00	81.00	
Yield Taxes	2,068.99		
Land Use Change Tax	17,280.00		
TOTAL CREDITS	<u>\$ 3,154,849.01</u>	<u>\$ 321,481.04</u>	<u>\$ 10.00</u>

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1987

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.....Tax Sales on Account of Levies Of:	1987	1986	1985
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Balance of Unredeemed Taxes -			
Beginning Fiscal Year	\$ 5,333.58		\$ 4,630.32
Taxes Sold To Town During			
Current Fiscal Year*	4,174.75		
Interest Collected After Sale	92.44	820.47	2,148.48
Redemption Costs	60.03	66.09	141.00
Refunds	3,183.59		
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 7,510.81	\$ 6,220.14	\$ 6,919.80

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Remittances to Treasurer During Year:

Redemptions	\$ 6,198.58	\$ 4,700.52	\$ 4,587.71
Interest & Costs After Sale	195.58	886.56	2,289.48
Deeded To Town During Year			42.61
Unredeemed Taxes - End of Fiscal Year	1,116.65	633.06	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 7,510.81	\$ 6,220.14	\$ 6,919.80

*Amount of Tax Sales(s) sold to town held during current fiscal year, including total amount of taxes, interest and costs to date of sale(s).

REPORT OF THE LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

Unprecedented growth for this century has continued to effect the entire Lakes Region and challenges all the Towns. This is particularly true of Alton with a 59% growth rate from '70 - '85. The tremendous number of lots approved by the Planning Board in the last two years will not fully impact the Town until all are developed and the issuance in 1987 alone of 105 permits for new homes will have an effect far into the future. Similar growth rates in other towns in the region will in turn impact Alton.

Statewide, there is an increasing awareness that in order to protect the "quality of life" and maintain property values, many issues can only be successfully addressed by greater regional cooperation and coordination. Alton was a successful participant in the hazardous household waste collection which took place with other towns last summer and the Commission will continue to work on other common problems such as solid waste disposal, transportation, and shoreline and underground water protection. The Lakes Region Planning Commission offers an even greater opportunity for addressing problems shared throughout the region and looks forward to successfully meeting the challenges of 1988.

Respectfully submitted,

Juliet E. E. Peverley
Commissioner

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Since it was established by vote at the 1987 Town Meeting, the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) program has made strong progress in organizational and planning functions. The CIP Committee, made up of Alton volunteers, is a sub-committee of the planning board, and is a planning and management tool that focuses on major public projects, facilities and equipment. Capital projects are expensive and usually have a life expectancy of several years as opposed to operational expenses which are annual and expended within a fiscal year.

While less than a year old, this committee has already made recommendations concerning the 1988 town expenditures, and has formulated a tentative six-year plan for Alton capital improvements. The goal of the committee is to identify future needs of the town of Alton, and suggest an orderly approach to the town's growth so that the Alton "way of life" may not only be maintained but improved as the town increases in size.

Capital Improvement Committee

Tom Varney, Chairman

ALTON LANDFILL REPORT YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1987

During the year, a Landfill Study Committee was activated to plan for the future and to consider options when the present landfill will be closed. Considerable emphasis has been placed on preparing for a recycling program to prolong the life of the landfill. This will require the total cooperation of all users of the landfill.

As a beginning, plans were underway to begin removal of tires; closing of the stump dump; and sorting, crushing and baling of items in the metal pile with the help of the N.H. Resource Recovery Association. A survey of landfill use and capacity was instituted at year-end. And an Article is being placed on the Town Warrant for 1988 to permit the town's voters to decide on a recycling program which would prolong the life of the landfill.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Cole, Chairman
Landfill Study Committee

OLD HOME WEEK

1987 saw the Town Meeting increase the money allocated for Old Home Week from \$2,000.00 to \$3,000.00. The Town Meeting also voted to establish the Old Home Week Committee as a permanent committee of the town with five members appointed by the Selectmen.

The Old Home Week Committee for 1987 began meeting in October 1986 through September 1987.

The events of 1987 saw an increase in audience attendance as well as an increase in participation.

The Craft Show had so many participants in the areas of the exhibit that it had to be expanded by the use of the Police Association tent.

The Old Home Week Committee was responsible for the raising, coordination and expenditures of over \$8,400.00 for 1987. The support of the town, clubs and businesses and all those who attended was greatly appreciated.

Old Home Week Committee 1987
John T. Conboy
Archie Thibeault
Judy Thibeault
Teri Loanes

**ALTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1987
"WE CARE"**

Each year we take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Alton for their support. This year is no different. Our appreciation and thanks for enabling a new police facility to be built and the continuing support that we receive is not taken for granted. No police department can function effectively without the support of its citizens and its Town Officials.

On behalf of the Alton Police Department, thank you. We have come a long way with your support in making the department something the community can be proud of. Thanks to all of you, our year round residents and our summer residents, that are part of our growing community.

Alton is a community struggling to retain its identity. It should always retain its small town charm.

Herein lies the dilemma, trying to balance the needs of the community vs. the cost.

Your Police Department wants to provide the best service possible.

A look at the statistics will give you an idea of what is going on in your community.

Our rapid growth has stretched our manpower capabilities to its limit in trying to provide adequate service.

This past year the department obtained a computer to assist with the increase in activity, records and reports, with a goal for a more efficient department.

Officers continue to attend schools and seminars to further their goal of a more proficient officer and department.

The department lost the services of three officers this past year, making it difficult to provide services without a full staff.

Officer Charles Hillsgrove graduated from the New Hampshire Police Academy and is presently the department's Evidence Control Officer.

The department was busy with calls for service, with Burglaries and Larcenies being a major problem.

A Federal Grant was obtained to add an additional officer on weekends for traffic enforcement. This aided in our ability to provide traffic control during the summer.

I would like to thank the departments and agencies who assisted us during the year. Without their assistance our job would be difficult. The cooperation between the Alton Fire Department and Alton Ambulance is much appreciated as is the cooperation with other Town agencies.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas J. Mynczyw
Chief of Police

1987 POLICE ACTIVITIES

	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>
Alarms	103	181
Ambulance Calls	159	166

	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>
Animal Complaints	302	241
Arson	02	02
Assaults	19	23
Attempt to Locate	70	93
Auto Theft	05	08
Boat Complaints	16	12
Bombs	00	00
Burglary	47	72
Business Checks	32,207	30,790
Cases Handled Administratively	20	38
Check File	18	36
Civil Complaints	49	43
Criminal Arrest	82	122
Criminal Mischief	131	93
Criminal Threatening	10	10
Criminal Trespass	28	37
Disorderly Conduct	49	31
Domestic Complaints	34	36
DWI Driving While Intoxicated	43	62
Embezzlement	00	01
Escorts	08	27
False Fire Alarms	03	07
Fire Calls	58	50
Forgery	01	02
Fraud	01	05
Harrassing Phone Calls	18	36
Hit & Run	18	16
Intoxication	40	46
Invest/Assist Other Departments	178	184
Juvenile Offenses	74	40
Juveniles Detained	99	45
Larceny	74	87
Liquor Laws	21	20
Lost & Found	103	106
Mental Persons	05	09
Messages Delivered	156	212
Miscellaneous	257	198
Missing Persons	14	21
Motor Vehicle Accidents - Fatal	02	00
Motor Vehicle Accidents - Personal Injury	50	45
Motor Vehicle Accidents - Property Damage	116	142
Motor Vehicle Checkups	616	606
Motor Vehicle Court	809	958
Motor Vehicle Defective Equipment Tags	236	201
Motor Vehicle Parking Tickets	100	86
Motor Vehicle Warnings	815	772
Narcotics/Drugs	09	17
Offenses Against the Family	01	01
Parking Violations/Subpoenas, etc.		
Served for Other Departments	13	12
Persons Assisted	214	220
Pistol Permits Issued	65	87

	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>
Possession Stolen Property	02	02
Rape	02	02
Recovered Property	15	23
Referred Other Departments	23	43
Relays	223	221
Runaways	08	02
Sex Offenses	03	05
Snowmobile Complaints	03	05
Suicide	00	04
Suspicion	191	164
Town Ordinances	08	11
Traffic Complaints	294	296
Unattended Deaths	02	03
Wanted Persons	26	52
Weapons	28	18
People at Station	2,884	2,138
Miscellaneous Telephone Calls	4,710	5,532
Telephone Calls Sheriff's Dept.	5,748	7,980
Total Calls Police Service	13,342	15,650
Value Stolen Property	\$106,941	\$ 97,412
Value Recovered Property	\$ 84,020	\$ 30,926
Total Miles Travelled		94,468

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1987**

Motor Vehicle Permits:

Issued 4,191 Permits	\$ 258,821.00
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Titles:

Issued 1,063 Titles	\$ 1,063.00
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Municipal Agent Fees:

Issued 3,852 Decals	\$ 6,550.00
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Fees:

Vital Statistics:

Birth Copies	\$ 35.00
Marriages/copies	\$ 479.00
Death Copies	\$ 99.00
	\$ 619.00

U.C.C.'s	\$ 1,376.00
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Miscellaneous Fees:

Duplicates	\$ 95.00
Dredge & Fill	\$ 244.00
Filing Fees	\$ 6.00
Voter Cards	\$ 33.00
Pole Recordings	\$ 25.00
Articles/Agreement	\$ 30.00
Aqua-therm Permits	\$ 94.50
	\$ 527.50

Dog Licenses	\$ 2,046.50
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Parking Fines	\$ 270.00
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TOTAL AMOUNT REMITTED TO TREASURER	\$ 271,273.50
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Respectfully submitted,

Gwendolyn M. Jones
Town Clerk

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ALTON WATER COMMISSIONERS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1987

The Alton Water Works closed out another productive year in its continuing efforts to provide an effective and low cost municipal water service to those Alton residents within the water supply network.

Several previous goals to improve the existing water distribution system were accomplished to include the replacement of the turbine pump unit at the Route 140 pumphouse, completion of a corrosive water treatment study, and installation of a new 6 inch water main and fire hydrant at the Alton Central School. Additionally, our meter installation program continued with the installation of residential water meters in previously unmetered areas of town and the budgeting of \$3,750.00 in 1988 for the final installation phase of this program.

Administratively, all Water Department financial records and customer account data were entered into the Town computer system which will not only expedite our billing program by eliminating an outside contract computer service but provide our Department and Town officials with accurate and timely financial information required for operational and auditing purposes.

The Water Commissioners would like to express our thanks to those dedicated Town Hall employees who continue to provide this Commission with administrative support as required and those who continue to deal with our customers on a day to day basis when we are not readily available. Special thanks goes to Mr. A. William Heidke who left the Commission this past year for other more important endeavors. We will certainly miss his experienced and dedicated service provided this Water Department over the past many years.

Lastly, the Commissioners always like to remind Alton residents that your Water Department continues to be totally self-sufficient and operates entirely off of the revenues collected from our users. Your tax dollars in no way subsidize salaries, administrative or other Water Department operating costs.

Respectfully submitted,

Alton Water Commissioners

Michael F. Stanley, Chairman
John Streeter
Robert Tilton

MESSAGE FROM YOUR STATE REPRESENTATIVE

As I start my sixth year in the New Hampshire House of Representatives, this year also marks the beginning of annual sessions, a constitutional change voted in 1984 by the people of this state. A change I still do not agree with, and voted against. It was stated that with annual sessions our work load would be cut down, in fact, just the opposite has happened. In 1987, we voted on almost 1,000 bills, and now in 1988, over 700 bills have been introduced, including a bill to raise the gas tax, multiple spending bills and an income tax proposal. Proving that the longer the Legislature is in Concord, the less economic freedom the people have. We really don't solve problems in the Legislature, we create them. So this year I will support a measure to return to biennial sessions, which, if passed, means the Legislature will be in session once every other year, instead of every year creating problems.

Representative Matthew J. Locke
776-3051

ALTON WATER WORKS
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES
FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1987

BALANCE JANUARY 1, 1987:

Cash in Hands of Treasurer	\$ 879.35
Farmington National - Money Market	8,130.08

RECEIPTS 1987:

Water Rents	\$ 46,096.00
Interest - Water Rents	281.86
Interest - Money Market Savings Account	171.51
Interest - NOW Account	139.54
Water Connections & Disconnections	492.00
Pearson Road - New Service	2,090.00
New Service - Other	3,779.14
Miscellaneous	85.68
	<u>53,135.73</u>
	\$ 62,145.16

EXPENDITURES 1987:

Salaries & Social Security	\$ 3,915.83
Office Expense & Telephone	765.41
Insurance	759.00
Interest - Long-Term Note	3,547.50
Principal - Long-Term Note	6,000.00
Refunds	20.51
Oil & Electricity	9,490.90
General Maintenance	3,435.24
Line Repairs & Contractors	22,944.46
Treatment	1,500.00
	<u>52,378.85</u>
	\$ 9,766.31

ANALYSIS OF CASH ON HAND, DECEMBER 31, 1987:

In Hands of Treasurer	\$ 9,766.31
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COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET
ALTON WATER WORKS

ASSETS	Dec. 31, 1986	Dec. 31, 1987
CASH:		
In Hands of Treasurer	\$ 879.35	\$ 9,766.31
Farmington National & Savings Bank	<u>8,130.08</u>	\$ 9,009.43
Water Rent Receivable	14,155.62	10,805.60
Inventory	14,266.21	11,990.00
Total Assets	\$ 37,431.26	\$ 32,561.91
Net Debt	10,178.74	5,500.59
TOTAL ASSETS & NET DEBT	\$ 47,610.00	\$ 38,062.50

LIABILITIES

Farmington National & Savings Bank Note	\$ 47,610.00	\$ 38,062.50
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REPORT OF THE VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

In 1987 the staff of the Visiting Nurse Association of Wolfeboro and Vicinity made a total of 1,264 home visits to 73 Alton residents. This represents a 5 percent increase in visits over last year.

Home Health Services are provided under the direct orders of each client's physician. We continue to bill insurances whenever possible. A sliding fee scale is utilized to determine the amount a client will be billed for services if insurance coverage is not available. Services are never denied because of a client's inability to pay.

Clinic services were utilized by many residents. 56 adults attended the Influenza Immunization Clinic. 26 pre-school children were served by our Child Health Program. An Immunization Clinic held at the Alton School provided the opportunity for school children to have their immunizations updated. Monthly clinics are held at the Prospect View Senior Housing Units for the purpose of health monitoring and counseling for residents there; 21 residents took advantage of this service. The Child Health Program and the School Immunization Program are funded by the State Department of Human Services, Bureau of Maternal and Child Health.

Several changes occurred during 1987 which have allowed us to increase our services. We have added two Home Health Aides to our staff. Providing this service directly allows us more flexibility in scheduling to better meet client's needs, increased availability of supervision, and correlation of services at a decreased cost. An Affiliative Agreement with Huggins Hospital which was signed in June, provides for increased cooperation in providing needed services to local residents. We now provide services seven days a week; a nurse may be reached during the weekend by calling Huggins Hospital and asking the operator there to page the Visiting Nurse on call.

Penny Jones and Robert Calvert represent your Town on our Board of Directors.

We are grateful for the support Alton residents have given to our Annual Appropriation request and to our Annual Fund Drive. We appreciate the assistance of the volunteers and other program directors who work with us in providing services to meet the health needs of your community. The Board of Directors, the Staff and I thank you all.

Respectfully Submitted,

Davena R. DeWolf, R.N.
Administrator

OLD PHOTOGRAPH COMMITTEE

The Alton Old Photograph Committee has successfully completed the mission given to it by the Selectmen in 1984. We have canvassed the town for old photographs, and borrowed them for copying. We have identified and dated them whenever possible and filed them in acid-free files for future preservation. The photographs which had previously been given to the town by various people were added to the collection, which is now arranged by areas of the town in boxes stored in the Town Clerk's office. These files are available to people interested in the town's history. Copies of these photos may be purchased, and we hope that people will continue to contribute pictures to the collection. This collection is meant to be a living, growing record of town history.

We selected a group of about 150 photographs which told a story of Alton's past and growth, and compiled a book which we entitled, "Alton - a Town to Remember." This book is now for sale at the Town Clerk's office for \$7.00. Thanks to the help and cooperation of the Kingswood Press in Wolfeboro, we were able to get the book out for sale before Christmas, 1987. Over 100 copies were sold in December, and sales continue to be good. We hope that when our summer visitors discover it, we will have sold enough to repay the town most of the \$4,000.00 loan which we received in last year's budget. We had 1,000 books printed, and maybe we will even go to reprinting in a few years. At any rate, we expect to be able to repay the people of Alton for their faith in us, and this project. This is our final report. The work of the Alton Old Photo Committee is completed and the committee is dissolved.

Once again we would like to thank all the people who helped prepare the book and archives. The members of the Old Photo Committee who met faithfully for 3½ years are: Warren Bodwell, Marguerite Chamberlain, Tom Chase, Sylvia Countway, Phyllis Draper, Eleanor Hayes, Nancy Johnston, June Tanguay, Lula Thorogood, Edna Twombly, and Gwendolyn Jones and Jean Roberts, co-chairmen.

Special thanks to: the 1984 Old Home Week Committee for permission to use the title, Alton - A Town to Remember; Suzanne Bonin for her drawing for the cover; Tom Chase and Sylvia Countway for copying the photographs; Aida Downing for her invaluable help concerning the history of Alton; and Polly Bakeman for writing a poem just for this book. Contributors of photographs were: Madeline Adams; the Alton Historical Society; an anonymous contributor; Polly Bakeman, Oliver Barnes, Cynthia Barone, Sidney Butler, Carlton Chamberlain, Kenneth Chamberlain, Marguerite Chamberlain, Kenneth Chase, Barbara Clough, Sylvia Countway, Aida Downing, Phyllis Draper, Albert Fisher, III, Judy Fry, Kenneth Gilbert, Barton Griffin, Eleanor Hayes, Nancy Johnston, Jeannette Jones, Estelva Larrabee, Patricia Merrill, The Gilman Museum, Theodore Peterson, Orissa Rines, Irving Roberts, Robert Seavey, Edna Twombly, Alice Ziegra, and two people whose names were inadvertently left out of the book, John Irving and Shirley Recks.

Without you all we couldn't have done it!

Gwendolyn Jones
Jean Roberts
Co-Chairmen

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board has continued to deal with the tremendous growth the town is experiencing. A backlog of subdivision and site-plan proposals required many hours of hearings and work sessions. A sophisticated knowledge of planning is necessary to deal with these proposals to protect the safety and welfare of the residents of our town.

In June we acquired the services of Amanda Skinner as a part-time professional planner. Her technical advice and review of plans for compliance to our regulations has given the board the ability to review complete plans with an increased awareness and knowledge of the issues involved. Her enthusiasm and ability to cope with the difficult circumstances of a new position and of a Board without a Chairman is highly commended.

We accepted with regret the resignations of Chairman Steve Barsanti and members Ron Cornelisson and Nancy Moore. Nancy Mayville and Michael Burke were appointed as members with one seat remaining vacant. Pat Merrill replaced Russ Jones as Selectmen's Representative.

In May member Thomas Varney formed a committee to prepare a Capital Improvement Plan. Committee members Bob Calvert, Ted Cole, John Duffek, Dick Headley, Jay Meehan, Joe Bristol, Ralph Hutchinson, Jim Newton, Alden Norman, Irving Roberts, Nancy Mayville, Town Administrators Terry Clifford and Pam Andrade and Selectmen Pat Merrill met regularly for 10 months to prepare a six-year plan of the town's anticipated capital needs in regards to roads, sewer, water, Police, Fire and Schools. The Capital Improvement Plan will greatly assist the Budget Committee and Selectmen in financial planning and also enable the Planning Board to assess the fiscal impact of growth.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas W. Varney
Greg Lindland
Pat Merrill
Nancy Mayville
Michael Burke
Michael MacDonald

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

This past year we were fortunate in being able to reduce the tax rate. This was a result of the efforts of the Board of Selectmen, Budget Committee, and an increase in valuation.

People are working longer hours, making more money, and having less time to spend it. This effort and money should not be used towards increased taxes. Although money must and should be appropriated in the Capital Improvement Program for our roads and landfill, with careful planning any increase in taxes next year could be held to a minimum. Zoning is still a major problem and the Ordinance needs to be revised particularly in regards to the Lake Shore Residential and Commercial areas of the Town.

Although some Boards saw competent and capable people leaving, we also have experienced a change for the better in the Administrative position with the appointment of Pamela L. Andrade as Town Administrator. The Town Hall is now operating in a smooth and professional manner.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Boards and Committees for their many hours of volunteer time, which is so necessary for the operation of our Town.

I am very grateful to Gwendolyn M. Jones, Michael F. Stanley, Ted Cole, and Pamela L. Andrade who have given so much of their time and effort in making our Town a better place in which to live.

On behalf of the Board of Selectmen, I would like to extend a special thank you and best wishes for a long and happy retirement to Gladys E. Howe.

Respectfully submitted,

William L. Moore
Chairman, Board of Selectmen

ALL PERSONS desiring to apply for any exemptions, must fill out a permanent application with the Selectmen's Office on or before April 15th in the year in which you wish to have the exemption. Any further information concerning any of the exemptions may be obtained from the Selectmen's Office.

REPORT OF THE TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

Between July 1986 and June 1987, we experienced fewer fires than normal. The three leading causes of forest fires were again children, fires kindled without written permission of a Forest Fire Warden and debris burning. All causes are preventable, but only with your help.

Please help our town and state forest fire officials with forest fire prevention. Contact your Forest Fire Warden for more information.

Enforcement of a state timber harvest regulation is the responsibility of State Forestry officials. Our state has excellent timber harvest regulations; however, your assistance is needed.

If you know of a logging operation and suspect a state timber harvest tax law may be violated, call your Forest Fire Warden, or Concord Forest Protection Headquarters at (603) 271-2217.

If you own forest land, you became responsible for the timber tax payment starting April 1, 1986. This is a change in the Timber Tax Law that will impact all forest landowners. Contact your Board of Selectmen for timber tax forms.

FOREST FIRE STATISTICS - 1987

Number Fires Statewide	403
Acres Burned Statewide	189
Cost of Suppression	\$44,682
District - Fires Reported	54
Acres Burned	29½
Town - Cost of Suppression.....	\$7,632.88

ALTON/ALTON BAY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT

In 1987 the Alton/Alton Bay Chamber of Commerce received fewer inquiries on tourist information and more inquiries on relocation information. Our membership has had a slight growth this year.

One immediate goal was realized, the position of Activities Director was moved to the Parks and Playgrounds Committee. What the Chamber really needs is a Business Director, who will tend more actively to the business of the Chamber, which ideally should be promotion of the town and its businesses.

It is hoped that during 1988 some educational seminars and workshops can be held to directly benefit the Chamber Members.

Our expenses include the Information Booth Salary, Postage, and events such as the Road Race, which is held in the summer. Events should take place on a year round basis, in order to provide for and benefit the "Winter Trade".

Faithfully,

Chris Consentino, Secretary

P.S. The Chamber needs new officers! Any interested person, please call 875-5510.

REPORT OF THE ALTON PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS COMMISSION

Phase II of the Alton Recreation Program grant was approved using the appraised value of the land gift from Jones & McGuirk, plus Barbershopper donations of funds, Little League Volunteer's time, the Russell Jones fund and many other donations and volunteers. The site has been cleared and roughed-out, ready for a baseball field. A foot bridge has been acquired and is to be placed across the Merrymeeting River making the walking and jogging trail connect to Alton and Alton Bay.

This was the first year of the Activity Director of the Town of Alton and the committee would like to thank Donald Morse for a job well done and also a big thanks to Joe Selfridge for another great job keeping our parks and playgrounds looking great.

Jonathan H. Downing, Chairman

Expanded Elderly Exemption - 1) has to reside in the State for at least five (5) years preceding April 1st, 2) has a net income from all sources, except those listed in RSA 72:43-c, of less than \$7,000, or if married, less than \$9,000 a year, 3) owns assets of any kind, tangible or intangible, less bona fide encumbrances, not in excess of \$50,000, and 4) is at least 65 years old on or before April 1st. An exemption of \$5,000 for residents 65 years of age up to 75, \$10,000 from 75 years of age up to 80, and \$20,000 from 80 years of age and older is applied to the assessed value of the property.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ALTON FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1987

The Alton Fire Department had a busy and successful year in 1987.

We responded to 149 runs, consisting of structure fires, auto fires, accidents, rescue and Mutual Aid runs.

Your equipment is in good repair as we have had many major breakdowns this year. It has been a very large expenditure getting this back in shape. We have our new engine, delivered in September and in service. It is working out very well and will be a big asset to the department.

Our annual auction was held in July under the direction of Thomas Hoopes and we thank all who supported us in our fund raising effort. It was a great success.

The Chicken Barbecue was chaired by past Chief Harold Clough using his famous recipe and enjoyed by all.

The major effort has been towards refurbishing the Alton Central Station getting ready for the 90th Annual Convention of the State Firemens' Association in September 1987. Firemen, wives, kids and friends all joined in for the cleaning up, painting, installing loam and sprinkler system, wall to wall carpet in the meeting room, new vanity in the bathroom, dividing the engine room and meeting room and general face lifting of the building - all donated time and special thanks to the Alton Fireflies for their contribution.

As always, I must thank my officers and men for their great work and support. A big thanks to the Alton Police Dept. and the Alton Volunteer Ambulance Association for their team work.

Last but not least, thanks to the residents, winter and summer, for your support.

Respectfully submitted,

Russell E. Jones, Chief, A.F.D.

1987 REPORT OF STRUCTURE FIRES Property Report to the Assessing Office

12/04/86	Trailer, Spinosa, Sandy Beach Trailer Park
01/03/87	John McGlone, living room, Rte. 11, West Alton
01/17/87	Chester Kania, Bennet's Barn, hole in floor, Old New Durham Rd.
08/11/87	Old Lamper Farm, Alton Shores, complete loss
09/16/87	Itchkawich/Chagnon, Rines Rd., East Alton
11/03/87	Smith building, Hollywood Beach Rd.
11/12/87	Old Shaw residence, Stockbridge Corner Rd., St. Laurent

**BIRTHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF ALTON
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1987**

Date	Name of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Birthplace
January 5	Jesse R. Lindland	Gregory M. Lindland	Katrina Jaros	Alton
January 21	Shaylyn M. Cornelissen	Michael Cornelissen	Lynn E. Wentworth	Wolfeboro
February 20	David M. Saunders	Jonathan Saunders	Kathleen Sandburg	Laconia
February 20	Jonathan E. Saunders	Jonathan Saunders	Kathleen Sandburg	Laconia
February 24	Lotan Mathias LaPlume	Russell LaPlume	Judith Becotte	Manchester
March 3	Stephen P. DeFlumeri	Richard DeFlumeri	Maryanne Mouleison	Malden, MA
March 6	Brenna C. Quann	David Quann	Marlee Walton	Concord
May 15	Dana C. Main	Bruce C. Main	Laura J. Connors	Concord
June 20	Brian T. Roy	Thomas J. Roy	Catherine Rupprecht	Rochester
June 26	Robert J. Bauer	Robert M. Bauer, Jr.	DebraSue Kussmaul	Laconia
August 16	Rachel Lyn Strom	Jurgen Strom	Marcella Hammar	Alton
August 22	Ashley J. Waterman	Harry Waterman	Lisa Kellar	Laconia
August 22	Michael T. Moore	William Moore	Darlene Antle	Laconia
August 24	David M. Currid	Michael Currid	Sandra Goodman	Rochester
August 27	Matthew D. Sawyer	David Sawyer	Jane Allen	Rochester
August 31	Felicia A. Freeman	Jeffery Freeman	Patti Bergh	Wolfeboro
September 5	Nicholas D. Lance	Gary N. Lance	Sandra Franklin	Rochester
September 5	Cheree Lynn Bourgeois	Marc Bourgeois	Deborah Stoddard	Rochester
October 11	Matthew J. Bixby	Charles Bixby, Jr.	Janine Donovan	Laconia
October 11	Tyler C. Bixby	Charles Bixby, Jr.	Janine Donovan	Laconia
October 28	Shannon Cornelissen	Arthur Cornelissen	Tammy Teufel	Laconia
November 6	Jonathan E.B. Urbalonis	John P. Urbalonis	Gail E. Makila	Laconia

**MARRIAGES RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF ALTON
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1987**

Date	Name of Groom	Residence	Name of Bride	Residence	Officiant/Title
Jan. 17	Richard A. Green	Alton	Meredith J. Picarello	Laconia	Rev. Dwight V. Meader, Pastor
Feb. 7	Stephen Roy Grant	Alton	Donna L. Gilbert	Alton	Robert P. Farah, Pastor
Feb. 14	David B. Sawyer	Alton	Jane M. Allen	Alton	Rev. David M. Blanchard, Minister
Mar. 7	John V. Anderson	Alton Bay	Marilyn R. Siniscalchi	Alton Bay	Rev. Dwight V. Meader, Pastor
Mar. 7	William C. Moore	Alton	Darlene A. Antle	Alton	Gwendolyn M. Jones, J.P.
May 18	Howard Sylvia	Alton	Beverly A. Giovanni	Alton	Charles F. Sullivan, J.P.
May 27	Royal A. Hillsgrave	New Durham	Christine Casey	Alton	Donna E. Chagnon, J.P.
May 30	Paul E. Keefe	Essex Junction, VT	Lori A. Hutchinson	Alton	Rev. Robert G. Boisvert, Roman Catholic Priest
June 2	Brian G. Simonds	Alton	Helena M. Edgerly	Alton	A. Wm. Heidke, J.P.
June 13	John A. McManus III	Alton Bay	Mary Frances Chase	Franklin	Richard T. Loring, Priest
July 31	Deane A. Dore	Alton	Kellie Blair Sweezy	Alton	Rev. H. Franklin Parker, Clergyman
Aug. 14	Matthew B. Sargent	Alton Bay	Lisa B. Hall-Allen	Wolfeboro	Patricia M. Waterman, J.P.
Sept. 7	Scott W. Perry	Wolfeboro	Carol A. Coutanche	Alton	Msgr. Leo F. Hines, Priest
Sept. 12	Chris A. Moulton	Alton	Venus A. Duval	Belmont	Rev. Dr. Leigh E. Stephenson, Clergy
Sept. 19	Richard J. MacDonald	Alton	Stacey A. Moore	Alton	William J. Guerrette, Priest
Sept. 26	William G. Brown	Alton	Bonnie P. Collins	Alton	Beverly Wheeler, J.P.
Sept. 26	Richard D. Perron	Laconia	Nancy L. Butterfield	Alton	Marcia Dumais-Martel, J.P.
Sept. 27	John C. Beckett	Alton	Debra A. Kimionakis	Alton	Rev. Dwight V. Meader, Pastor
Oct. 3	Michael S. Giani	West Palm Beach, FL	Susan Chatman	Alton	Edward J. Giani, Ordained Minister
Oct. 10	Jon E. Jordan	Alton	Erin D. Gleason	Alton	Elizabeth J. Meyer, J.P.
Oct. 17	Robert E. Ramalho	Alton	Marsha L. Reed	Pelham	Nancy Grant, J.P.
Oct. 24	Earle W. Covell	Alton Bay	Judy L. Jacques	Sanford, ME	Gwendolyn M. Jones, J.P.
Oct. 24	Scott I. Williams	Alton Bay	Penny DeMille	Alton Bay	Rev. Dwight V. Meader, Pastor
Nov. 21	James E. Martin	Alton	Gloria A. Montrose	Alton	Rev. Dwight V. Meader, Pastor
Nov. 28	Harold V. Finethy III	Alton	Lisa R. Stryker	Canton, MA	Rev. Dwight V. Meader, Pastor

**DEATHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF ALTON
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1987**

Date	Name of Deceased	Age	Residence	Place of Death
November 10, 1986	Russell E. Jones, Jr.	29	Alton	Alton, NH
January 22, 1987	Dorothy Biggs	83	Alton	Wolfeboro, NH
February 1, 1987	Donald E. Butler	65	Alton	Melbourne, FL
February 13, 1987	Elida A. Fessell	100	New Durham	New Durham, NH
February 25, 1987	W. Merle Hillsgrave	73	Alton	Concord, NH
April 6, 1987	Harlan D. Card	44	Alton	Rochester, NH
April 24, 1987	John L. Bucher	74	Alton	Wolfeboro, NH
May 12, 1987	Elmer Ralph Eaton	85	Alton	Rochester, NH
May 28, 1987	Robert C. Moulton	68	Alton	Laconia, NH
May 31, 1987	Ellen L. Hardy	67	Alton	Wolfeboro, NH
June 1, 1987	Arthur I. Laurion	59	Alton	Rochester, NH
June 21, 1987	Harold C. Drew	81	Alton	Wolfeboro, NH
June 29, 1987	Georgette R. Beausoleil	64	Alton	Concord, NH
July 8, 1987	Almon Harry Thompson	88	Alton	Portsmouth, NH
August 17, 1987	Kevin J. Plante	29	Dover	Alton, NH
August 24, 1987	Rosaria M. Hayes	86	New Durham	New Durham, NH
Unknown in September	Clyde Elliott Young	38	Laconia	Alton, NH
September 2, 1987	Clare H. Quitt	79	Alton	Portsmouth, NH
September 6, 1987	Tenney C. Rines	49	Alton	Alton, NH
September 7, 1987	Gladys L. Fellows	89	Alton	Wolfeboro, NH
September 21, 1987	Olga T. MacKay	76	Alton	Alton, NH
September 30, 1987	Charles A. Breed	88	Alton	Laconia, NH
October 7, 1987	Lewis E. Woodman	78	Alton	Wolfeboro, NH
October 22, 1987	Marion D. Lamper	74	Alton	Wolfeboro, NH
October 22, 1987	Forrest L. Shannon	75	Alton	Wolfeboro, NH
November 2, 1987	Elizabeth J. Albee	61	Alton	Wolfeboro, NH
November 26, 1987	Miriam P. Schmottlach	74	Alton	Alton, NH
December 7, 1987	Burns F. Ricker	84	Alton	Laconia, NH

FIRE ALARM SIGNALS

BOX NO.	LOCATION
3	Brush Fire—Repeat three times
4	Alton Bay Fire Station
5	Central School House
6	Town Hall
3-3-3	All Firemen report to respective stations (From 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. alarm 3-3-3 is blown by the Lakes Region Mutual Aid for fire calls).
12	Campground—Across from Chapel
13	Alton Bay—Near Lester Downing Residence
14	Victoria Pier
24	Main Street—Corner School Street
26	Main Street—Wolfeboro Hill
31	Route 140—Corner Mitchell Avenue
32	Route 140—Corner Riverside Drive
34	Central Fire Station
36	Opposite N.H. Electric Cooperative
41	Levy Park
42	Main Street—Foot Rollins' Hill
43	Main Street—Opposite Laundromat in village
49	Oak Birch Inn
1-1	All Out Signal
1	Blast—Water to be shut off in thirty minutes 7:15 Monday Night — Signal 3 — 3 times — Fire alarm test

NOTICE

All fire alarms, excluding Box alarms shall be telephoned to the Alton phone system, 875-3333. The Central Dispatch operator will sound the proper alarm. State clearly your name, location of residence, and type of fire. By complying with the above, lives, time and property will be saved.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR OPERATING A BOX

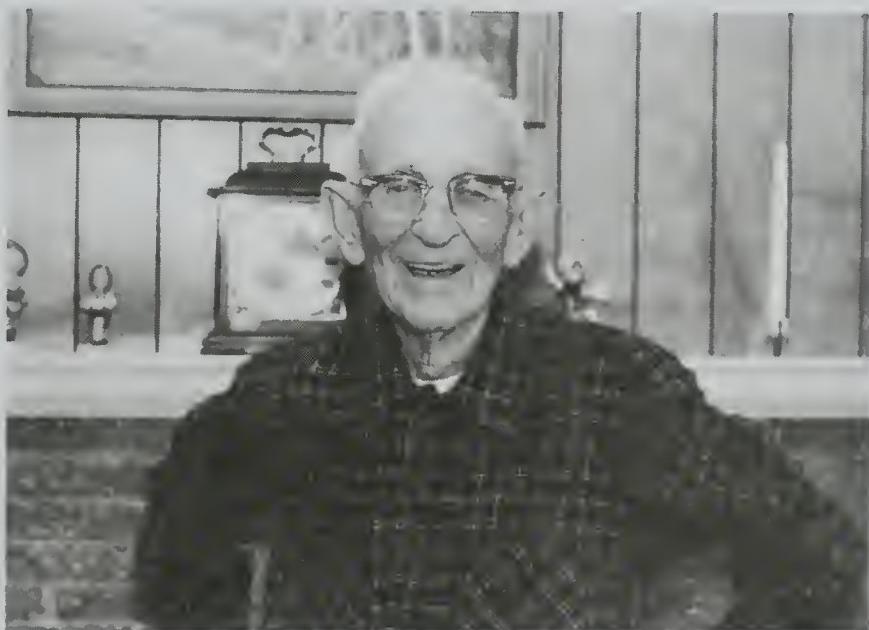
Opening a box does not sound alarm. Pull down handle. Anyone sounding alarm to remain at box to direct firemen. Second alarm to be sounded by order of Chief engineer only. Test alarm Saturdays at 12:45. Do not sound alarm unless necessary.

Boston Post Cane

In 1907 the editor of the Boston Post newspaper undertook as a promotional device the distribution of several hundred fancy walking sticks intended to be awarded to the eldest citizen of the recipient towns. Between 400 and 600 of these canes were sent to towns in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Maine and New Hampshire, each engraved on the head "presented by the Boston Post to the Oldest Citizen of _____."

Morrison Bennett was, at the age of 97, the first Alton recipient. No official town record has been found of those who followed him, but a dozen or so men and women have been identified. Some used the cane with a flourish, some declined to acknowledge this symbol of their longevity. The last holder was Rev. Everett Pender, who returned the cane to the Selectmen when he moved to Vermont.

Alton's cane is 36 inches long, the shaft of African ebony, the engraved brass head covered in 14 karat gold. In recognition of its historical significance in Alton tradition, it will hereafter be held for public display in the Town Hall. The Selectmen will honor our present Senior Citizen, Ralph Temple, with a special ceremony.



Ralph Temple, Age 94, Oldest Alton Resident

Written by,
Bill Watkins

ALTON — ALTON BAY TOWN HISTORY

Early American History began for Alton and Alton Bay around 1770 when eight families of settlers moved to this area from southeastern New Hampshire and settled in widely scattered spots to farm. Three families settled on Coffin Ridge near the Gilmanton line, three on the olde New Durham Road, and two in South Alton. By 1775 there were 100 men, women and children, and the Town sent one of its early settlers, Thomas Flanders, to fight at Bunker Hill. Over the next five years, fourteen out of the twenty men living here went off to fight in the Revolution, taking part in every major battle from Trenton to Bennington.

The first Town Meeting was held at the farmhouse of Timothy Davis, high on Mt. Prospect, in March 1777. Although the records have since been lost, undoubtedly the Levies imposed on the Town by the Committee for Safety - for the purpose of recruiting men and raising beef for the Continental Army were discussed. One might assume that Town Officers were elected, and of course then, as now, the problems of roads and road maintenance arose. (The more things change, the more they remain the same!) The Town was officially incorporated in 1796 despite bitter arguments and bickering among the people living in the valleys and those in the hills.

The first commercial transportation on Lake Winnipesaukee began out of Alton Bay. The diary of Ephriam Roberts (in 1774) records barrel staves and other articles made in Alton being transported over the lake to Center Harbor and Wolfeboro, both in the summer and winter. In 1772 Governor Benning Wentworth used the lake to transport heavy household furniture and material which he brought from Portsmouth for his summer home in Wolfeboro. Until the first steamboat in 1833, the common method of transportation was the "Gundlow", an awkward, flat, keelless, wooden boat with fixed sails. The first steamship to operate on Lake Winnipesaukee was the "Belknap", built at Lake Village (Lakeport) and making her maiden voyage in 1833. The Captain of the vessel was one James Jewett of Alton. Another famous Alton resident of notable interest is William Rockwell Clough who made his million and contributed greatly to the industry of the area by his invention of the indispensable corkscrew.

By 1820, the population was 2,058 in Alton. For the next thirty years, the area prospered slowly as an agricultural community. The arrival of the railroad from Dover in the 1850's initiated a new and vital industry - tourism - on which Alton and Alton Bay thrives today.

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